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FOR NEW ENGLAND

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The Fifth Book of Records
belonging to Rhode Island
Quarterly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders commencing 5th mo. 6th
1874.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 6th 1874.

By information from each of our Preparative meetings the representatives are — From Rhode Island — Jacob Mott, George Anthony Margeret Anthony and Cynthia Bowen

Greenwich

Peace Peck, Jonathan Freeborn Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J Earle

Swansey

Joseph C. Anthony Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Anthony & Sarah Slade

Providence

Gideon C. Smith James Dennis Sarah K. Reynolds & Mary A. Smith Who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was given

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings made the following report Viz.

5th mo 1874 To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders

Dear Friends

The committee appointed in the second month last to have the oversight of meetings report — That in attending to their

appointment, and in viewing and reviewing what came under their notice at that time, they were brought afresh to realize the importance of keeping ever in mind that "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; Except the Lord keep the city the watchman waketh but in vain." Would that all may give indubitable heed thereto
On behalf of the committee in christian love
Perez Peck.

We appoint our Friends Abner Slade Gideon C. Smith Hannah I Peckham and Phebe S. Anthony to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

The queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our subordinate meetings.

We forward to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders a summary from these answers describing our state by our friends Perez Peck Obadiah Chace Joseph Cartland George Anthony Gideon C. Smith, Elizabeth Meader, Gertrude W. Cartland, Mary A Smith Phebe S. Anthony Cynthia J. Earle and Sarah Slade whom we appoint our representatives

We now conclude proposing to meet at at the usual time at Newport if the Lord permit
Obadiah Chace Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport 8th mo. 5th 1874.

By accounts from each of our Preparative meetings the Representatives are — from Rhode Island — Levi Almy, George Bowen Cynthia Bowen and Hannah Dame
Greenwich — Perez Peck, Peter H. Collins and Cynthia J. Earle
Swansey — Joseph C. Anthony, Nathan Chace, Sarah Slade and Esther Chace
Providence — James Dennis Gideon C. Smith, Anna T. Dennis and Sarah K. Reynolds — who are present except two, and for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason was given

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings made the following report viz. To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders

Dear Friends,

The committee appointed in the 5th mo. last to have the oversight of meetings report that they gave attention to their appointment and that the meetings were satisfactory with a little exception

For the Committee
Gideon C. Smith
Hannah T. Peckham

We appoint our Friends Josiah Chace George Anthony Esther Chace & Mary A. Smith

- to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

The Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders report that they all attended.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our Preparative meetings and the meeting has been brought into exercise that harmony may be preserved.

Having again been favored to perform the duties assigned to us in harmony we [illegible] hoping to meet again [illegible] in Fall River if the Lord permit

Obadiah Chace Clerk

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Fall River 11th mo 4th 1874

By accounts from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island Abner Potter jr Thomas B Buffum Hannah Dame and Margarett Anthony

Greenwich

Boes Peck Charles W Earle Ruth Ann Collins and Cynthia J Earle

Swansey

Joseph C Anthony Abner Slade Phebe S Anthony and Sarah Slade

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Providence
Moses Farnum [illegible] Obadiah Chace [illegible]
and Sarah F. [illegible] who are present except one

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to have the oversight of Meetings made the following report verbally.

The Committee to have the oversight of Meetings are united in believing they were favored [illegible]

George Dickinson

We appoint our friends Gideon Smith Wm. Peace Sarah Peace and Sarah F. [illegible] to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting.

[illegible] answers from each of our Preparative Meetings.

Having again been favored with the overshadowing presence of our Heavenly Father in which our hearts have been comforted together we now conclude proposing to meet again in Providence at the usual time if the Lord permit

Obadiah Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Providence 2d Month 3d 1875.

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives are— from Rhode Island Jacob Mott. Thomas B. Buffum.

– and Margaret Anthony

Greenwich
Perez Peck Edward W. Collins
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J. Earle

Swansey
Nathan Chace Obadiah Chace
Sarah Slade and Esther Chace

Providence
James Dennis Joseph Cartland
Huldah M. Bedee & Anna T. Dennis
Who are present except 1, for whose absence a sufficient reason was given

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings made the following report viz

The committee were united in judgment that the meetings were in a good degree satisfactory
Abner Slade
for the Committee

We appoint our friends Joseph Cartland Jacob Mott Hannah F Peckham, Esther Chace and Anna T. Dennis to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

Obadiah Chace is appointed clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year and James Dennis assistant clerk

The queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative meetings

The following is a list of the Ministers and Elders in the several Monthly Meetings at this time ~~viz~~ who are members of this meeting Viz Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers

Levi Almy, Abner Potter jr Cynthia Bowen Annabella Winn and Thomas B. Buffum

Elders

George Anthony, Josiah Chase, Jacob Mott, George Bowen, Hannah Dame, Susanna Mott, Margaret Anthony, Hannah Williams

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers

Gulielma Freeborn, Lydia A. Macomber and Cynthia J. Earle

Elders

Perez Peck Jonathan Freeborn, Solomon R. Knowles Deborah Howland and Charles W. Earle.

Swansey Monthly Meeting

Ministers

Obadiah Chace, Amy S. Anthony

Elders

Joseph Estes Eunice Estes, Abner Slade

- Sarah Slade, Joseph C. Anthony Phebe S. Anthony Esther Chace and Nathan Chace

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers

Elizabeth Meader Huldah M. Beede Gertrude W. Cartland, Sarah K. Reynolds

Elders

Gideon C. Smith, Mary A. Smith James Dennis, Anna T. Dennis, Eunice Metcalf Joseph Cartland ~~and~~ Sarah F. Tobey and Hannah F Peckham

South Kingston Monthly Meeting

Ministers

Elizabeth Peckham, Edward W. Collins

Elders

Lois Perry Peter H. Collins and Ruth Ann Collins.

Having transacted the business which has claimed our consideration we now conclude proposing to meet again at East Greenwich at the usual time if the Lord permit

Obadiah Chace Clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at East Greenwich Fifth Month Fifth 1875

By information from our Preparative meetings the Representatives are — From Rhode Island — George Anthony George Bowen and Hannah Dame Greenwich — Perez Peck, Charles W. Earle, Lydia A. Macomber and Gulielma Keeborn — Swansey Anthony Chace Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Anthony and Esther Chace Providence — Joseph Cartland, James Dennis Elizabeth Meader and Ha J. Peckham, who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings inform us that they were united in believing that the meeting for worship of Fifth Day was held satisfactorily.

We appoint our friends George Anthony, Charles W. Earle, Deborah Howland and Margaret Anthony to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from

each of our preparative meetings.
We forward a summary of the answers
to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders by our friends Obadiah
Chace Joseph Cartland George Bowen
James Dennis Elizabeth Meader
Ruth Anna Collins Anna F. Osgood
Gertrude W. Cartland and Gulielma
Freeborn whom we appoint our
representatives.

The following communication was
sent to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders then.

To New England Yearly Meeting
of Ministers and Elders to be held
on Rhode Island Sixth Month 1875

Dear Friends
We forward to you
the condition of our meeting as
shown by the answers to the queries
by our friends Obadiah Chace Joseph
Cartland George Bowen, James Dennis
Elizabeth Meader Ruth Anna Collins
Anna F. Osgood Gertrude W. Cartland
and Gulielma Freeborn whom we
appoint our representatives.
Our meetings have been regularly held.
Signed by direction of Rhode Island
Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders
held at East Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1875
Obadiah Chace Clerk

Summary of Answers

1st

Ministers and Elders are careful to attend their meetings for worship and discipline and use [illegible] to promote the attendance of their families.

2d

The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders we think are in good measure clean and blameless. They are in unity one with another and with the meeting to which they belong, manifesting a living concern for truths honor.

3d

They endeavor to rule their own houses well, and by example and precept to train up their families in accordance with our christian profession

4th

We trust Ministers and Elders are preserved in love and are engaged to administer encouragement or counsel as occasion may [illegible] ministry & conduct.

We have had the company of dear friends from other meetings at this time who have encouraged us to be faithful, and in an earnest desire that we may to do the will of our Heavenly Father, we now conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Newport if the Lord permit

Obadiah Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport
8th mo, 4th 1875.

By accounts from our subordinate meetings the representatives are — from Rhode Island George Anthony, Josiah Chace Annabella E. Winn, and Hannah Dame

Greenwich — Charles W. Earle, Peres Peck and Cynthia J. Earle

Swansey — Obadiah Chace Abner Slade Phebe S. Anthony and Sarah Slade

Providence James Dennis Joseph Cartland. Anna T. Dennis and Sarah K. Reynolds. who are present except 2 for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings report that they were well satisfied with the meeting on Fourth Day and with some exception with the meetings on Fifth Day.

We appoint our friends Josiah Chace Jacob Mott Susanna Mott and Hannah T. Peckham to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting.

The Representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders report they all attended.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our Preparative meetings

We have again been favored with the company of dear friends from other meetings and thankful for the Divine blessing we now conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Fall River if the Lord permit.

Obadiah Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Fall River 11th mo 3 1875

By accounts from our preparative Meetings the representatives are — from

Rhode Island
George Bowen, Jacob Mott Margaret Anthony and Susan Mott

Greenwich
Perez Peck Charles W. Earle and Cynthia J. Earle

Swansey
Nathan Chace Joseph Estes
Phebe S. Anthony + Sarah Slade

Providence
James Dennis Joseph Cartland
Hannah T. Peckham & Anna T. Dennis
Who are present except one,

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings made the following report viz.

To the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders next to be held at Fall River

Dear Friends,

The committee appointed in the eighth month last to have the oversight of meetings report them satisfactory except one meeting in which there was not so much harmony prevailed as would have been desirable

For the Committee
Josiah Chace
Jacob Mott

We appoint our Friends Joseph Cartland Abner Slade Esther Chace and Eunice Estes, to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings.

We now conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Providence if the Lord permit

Obadiah Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Providence 2 mo. 2d 1876

By accounts from each of our Preparative Meetings the Representatives are — from Rhode Island — George Bowen George Anthony Margaret Anthony and Susanna Hall

Greenwich
Perez Peck, Charles W. Earle Cynthia J. Earle and Lydia A. Macomber

Swansey
Nathan Chace Joseph Estes Sarah Slade and Phebe S. Anthony

Providence
James Dennis, Elizabeth Meader and Anna T. Dennis — Who are present except two.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings. Report that in their judgment the meetings were held to good satisfaction.

We appoint our friends George Anthony Joseph Estes Hannah A Smith F. Peckham and Mary A. Smith to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings

The following is a list of the Ministers and Elders in the several monthly meetings who are members of this meeting viz.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers — Levi Almy Abner Potter jr. Cynthia Bowen Annabella Winn and Thomas B. Buffum

Elders — George Anthony Jirah Chace, Jacob Mott, George Bowen Hannah Dunn, Susanna Mott, Margaret Anthony, Hannah B. Williams Anna Mott, and Ruth Anthony

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers — Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber, Cynthia J. Earle

Elders — Perez Peck, Jonathan Freeborn, Solomon K. Knowles Charles W. Earle.

Swansey Monthly Meeting

Ministers — Obadiah Chace, Amy S. Anthony

Elders — Joseph Estes, Eunice Estes Abner Slade, Sarah Slade

Nathan Chace, Phebe S. Anthony and Esther Chace

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers— Elizabeth Meader Huldah M. Bedee, Gertrude W. Cartland Sarah K. Reynolds.

Members by sojourn minute- Joel Bean, Hannah Bean.

Elders— Eunice Metcalf, James Dennis Joseph Cartland Sarah F. Tobey Hannah F Peckham and Mary A Smith

South Kingston Monthly Meeting

Ministers— Elizabeth Peckham Edward W. Collins

Elders— Lois Perry, Peter H. Collins Ruth Ann Collins

The Representatives now in attendance are requested to bring forward to our next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and Assistant.

We now conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at East Greenwich if the Lord permit

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at East Greenwich 5th mo 3rd. 1876

By accounts received from our preparative meetings the representatives are from
Rhode Island. — Jacob Mott Hannah Dame
Margaret Anthony & Geo Anthony,
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon J Knowles
Cynthia J. Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Obadiah Chace Nathan Chace
Esther Chace & Sarah Slade
Providence James Dennis Hannah F. Peckham
and Huldah M Beede
Who are all present except one.

The representatives to whom the subject of clerks was referred now propose the name of Chas W. Earle for clerk, which being united with by the meeting, he is appointed to that service for the ensueing year or until; another appointment

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings, "report" that the meetings were satisfactorily held: we appoint our friends Jacob Mott Esther Chace James Dennis & Susan Mott to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report to our next meeting

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings, a summary of which we forward to the Yearly Meeting of ministers & Elders by our friends Obadiah Chace Geo. Anthony Chas. W. Earle Jos. Cartland Cynthia J. Earle Mary A. Smith Gertrude

W. Cartland Sarah Slade Anna T. Dennis, Mgt. Anthony & Elizabeth Meader whom we appoint our representatives

All our meetings of Ministers & Elders have been regularly held during the past year

The matter of assistant clerk is again referred to our next meeting

Chas W. Earle clerk

The following communication was sent to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, viz.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders to be held on Rhode Island in the sixth month 1876.

Dear Friends

We forward to you the condition of our meeting as shown by the answers to the queries by our friends Obadiah Chace, Geo. Anthony, Chas. W. Earle, Joseph Cartland, Cynthia J. Earle, Mary A. Smith, Gertrude W. Cartland, Sarah Slade, Anna T. Dennis, Margaret Anthony & Elizabeth Meader whom we appoint our representatives.

All our meetings of Ministers & Elders have been regularly held during the past year.

Chas. W. Earle clk.

Summary Answers.

1st.— Ministers & Elders are diligent in attending our meetings for worship & discipline and are careful to promote the attendance of their families

2nd We believe their lives and conversation are in good measure clean & blameless amongst men, that they are in unity one with another, and with the meeting to which they belong, harmoniously labouring together for the honor of truth.

3rd We believe they endeavor to rule their own houses well and by example & precept to train up their families in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession.

4th We trust they are preserved in that love which enables them to administer encouragement & counsel as occasion requires in reference to ministry & conduct.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport 8th mo. 2nd, 1876.

By the accounts received from each of our Preparative Meetings the representatives therein appointed to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Thomas B Buffum Josiah Chase
Margaret Anthony & Hannah Dame
Greenwich Charles H Earle Solomon R Knowles
Cynthia J Earle & Lydia A Macomber
Swansey Abner Slade & Sarah Slade
Providence James Dennis, Elisabeth Meader
and Sarah K Reynolds,
who are present except one.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the over-sight of meetings, — report, that the meetings were satisfactorily held

We appoint our friends Abner Slade Josiah Chace Mary A Smith & Hannah Dame to have the oversight of meetings at this time and report at our next meeting

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings.

The representatives appointed to attend the last Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders "report" They all attended

It was concluded at this time to omit the appointment of an assistant clerk

Having transacted the business in harmony we conclude proposing to meet again at Fall River if permitted so to do.

Chas. V. Earl clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meetin
of Ministers & Elders held at Fall Ri
11th mo 1st 1876.

By the accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this Meeting are from

Rhode Island Abner Potter Jr Thos B Buffum
Lydia Mott & Mgt. Anthony
Greenwich Chas H Earle Solomon & Knowles
Cynthia J. Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Joseph Estes Nathan Chase
Phebe Anthony & Sarah Slade
Providence James Dennis Hannah T Peckham
and Huldah M Beede

who are present except three, for one of whom a satisfactory excuse was given

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "Report" That the meetings were satisfactory

We appoint our friends Jacob Mott James Dennis Sarah Slade & Anna T. Dennis to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & report at our next Meeting

The queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from each of our Pre. Meetings

Desiring to be found faithful in discharging all those duties that are laid upon us by our Heavenly Father, we conclude proposing to meet in Prov. at the usual time if permitted so to do.

Chas. H. Earle Clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Providence 1st mo 31st 1877.

By the accounts received from each of our Preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are

from
Rhode Island Thos. B. Buffum, Sarah Mott
Margaret Anthony & Hannah [illegible]
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon K. [illegible]
Christina Freeborn & Lydia A Mumford
Swansey Nathan Chace Joseph Estes
Esther Chace
Providence James Gould Huldah [illegible]
Anna T Dennis

Who are present except two, for the absence of one a satisfactory excuse was given

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to have the oversight of meetings. - Report That the meetings were satisfactorily held
We appoint our friends Joseph Estes Nathan Chace Hannah T. Peckham & Mary A. Smith to have the oversight of meetings at this time & report at our next meeting
The queries have been read in this meeting with answers from each of our Preparative Meetings

Having concluded the business of this meeting we propose to meet again at Greenwich on 7th day before the Quarterly Meeting at 2 o'clk in the afternoon

Charles W Earle
Clerk

Providence 1st mo 31st 1877

The following is a list of the names of the Ministers & Elders in the several Monthly meetings which are now members of this meeting, viz-

Rhode ~~South~~ Island ~~[illegible]~~ Ministers.- Levi Almy Abner Potter Jr. Cynthia Davis Annabella Winn & Thos B. Buffum

Elders.- Geo. Anthony Josiah Chase Jacob Mott, Geo. Bowen Hannah Dennis Susanna Mott Margaret Anthony Hannah Williams & Ruth Anthony.

Greenwich Ministers,- Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber & Cynthia J. Earle

Elders, Solomon R Knowles & Chas. H. Earle

Swansey Ministers, Obadiah Chace Amy S. Anthony

Elders, Joseph Estes Eunice Estes Abner Slade Sarah Slade Esther Chace Phebe S. Anthony & Nathan Chace

Providence Ministers, Elizabeth Meader Huldah M Bede. Sarah K. Reynolds & Joel & Hannah E Bean members by sojourn

Elders Eunice Metcalf James Dennis Anna [illegible] Dennis Sarah F. Tobey Hannah F. Peckham Mary A. Smith

South Kingston,- Ministers Elizabeth Peckham &
Edward W. Collins

Elders.- Lois Perry Peter H. Collins
& Ruth Ann Collins

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1877.

By the accounts received from each of our Preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Jacob Mott George Bowen &
Susanna Mott
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Solomon R Knowles
Lydia A Macomber & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Obadiah Chace Joseph Estes
Esther Chace and Sarah Slade
Providence James Dennis Sarah K Reynolds
and Anna T Dennis

who are all present

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "Report" That all of the committee had not been together but believed that the meetings were held to general satisfaction.

We appoint our friends Peter H. Collins James Dennis Susanna Mott & Ruth Ann Collins to have the oversight of meetings at this time & report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings a summary of which the clerk is directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders by our friends George Anthony Jacob Mott Obadiah Chace Mary A. Smith Elizabeth Meader Esther Chace Huldah W Beede Cynthia B Earle & Chas. W. Earle whom we appoint our representatives.

All our meetings of Ministers & Elders have been regularly held during the past year.

Having concluded the business of this meeting in harmony & love we propose to meet again on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting at Newport in the 8th mo next at 2 o'clk P.M.

Charles W. Earle - clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport 8th mo 1st 1877

By accounts received from each of our Preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are, from

Rhode Island George Anthony Josiah Chace
Cynthia Bowen & Elisabeth H. Potter
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon R Knowles
Cynthia J Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Nathan Chace Abner Slade and
Sarah Slade
Providence Jas. Dennis Huldah M. Beede
and Hannah F Peckham

who are present except one.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "Report" That those who had been together were united in believing that the meetings were satisfactorily held

We appoint our friends Josiah Chace George Anthony Hannah F Peckham & Susan Mott a committee to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The representatives appointed at our last meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders "Report" The attendance of all except one, who gave a satisfactory reason for absence.

Having concluded the business of this meeting in harmony and under a renewed sense of the continuance of our Heavenly Father's love to us we propose to meet again at Fall River on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo next at 3 o'clock P. M.

Chas. W. Earle
clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Fall River 10th Mo. 31st 1877.

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting, are from

Rhode Island	George Anthony Josiah Chase Cynthia Bowen & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich	Chas. W. Earle Solomon R Knowles. Cynthia J Earle & Lydia A Macomber
Swansey	Abner Slade Nathan Chace Phebe S. Anthony & Esther Chace
Providence	James Dennis Huldah M Beede & Anna T Dennis

who are present except one

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meeting "report" That the meetings were held to good satisfaction

We appoint our friends Jacob Mott Nathan Chace Sarah F Tobey & Hannah T. Peckham to have the oversights of meeting.

at this time & report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings.

We are informed by the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting that that meeting united with Providence monthly meeting in the appointment of Thos Harkness to the station of elder in 11th mo last.

With South Kingstown monthly meeting in the appointment of Abel F Collins and Electa Jane Collins to the station of elder in 2nd mo. 1877.

With Rhode Island monthly meeting in the appointment of Elisabeth H Potter to the station of elder in 5th mo. last

Having been favored to meet together & to transact the business of this meeting in harmony & love we conclude proposing to meet again in Providence on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo 1878 at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if our Heavenly Father permit.

Chas H. Earle Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Providence 2nd mo 6th 1878

By accounts received from each of our preparative Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from Rhode Island Thos B. Buffum Jacob Mott
Susan Mott & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon R. Knowles
Lydia A. Macomber & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelotte
& Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Elizabeth Meader
& Sarah F. Tobey who are all present.

The time for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed having expired Obadiah Chace on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of Chas W Earle which being united with he is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of Meetings "Report" That the meetings were all satisfactorily held. We appoint our friends Jas. Dennis Chas. W. Earle Susanna Mott & Ruth Ann Collins to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & report at our next meeting. The queries have all been read in this meeting with required answers from each of our preparative meetings

Having afresh felt & witnessed the loving kindness of our Heavenly Father to us his dependent children we conclude. proposing to meet again at Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in the 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles W. Earle Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at E. Greenwich 5th mo 1st 1878

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are viz

Rhode Island . . Jacob Mott Jno W. Buffum
Cynthia Bowen & Susanna Mott
Greenwich Chas H. Earle Solomon R. Knowles
Rhoda H Buffington & Electa Jane Collins
Swanzey Henry C Aydelotte Nathan Chace
Phebe S Anthony & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Sarah K Reynolds
& Hannah F. Peckham

who are present except two

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "Report" That they were willing to report that the meetings were satisfactorily held

We appoint our friends Jacob Mott Peter H. Collins Phebe S Anthony & Elisabeth H Potter to have the oversight of meetings at this time & report at our next Meeting

The Queries have all been read in this meeting with the [illegible] answers from each of our preparative meetings a summary of which the clerk is directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & elders by our friends George Anthony Abner Slade, Abel T Collins, James Dennis, Huldah M. Bede, Sarah Slade, Christina Freeborn, Elisabeth H Potter, Cynthia J. Earle, Anna T. Dennis, Jacob Mott Phebe S Anthony & Ruth Ann Collins who are appointed representatives

And our Meetings of Ministers & Elders have
been regularly held during the past year

We have received communications
from the Clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly
Meeting that, that meeting in the 11th mo 1877
united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in
the appointment of Edward Buffington &
Rhoda H Buffington to the Station of Elder
& with Swansey Monthly Meeting in the
appointment of Samuel R. Buffington to
the same station also in 2nd mo 1878
united with Swansey Monthly meeting in
acknowledging the gift & approving the
public appearance in the Ministry of
Rebecca Anthony of Fall River these names
are added to our list of members of this
meeting

Having in condescendsion & love
concluded the business of this Meeting we
propose to meet again at Newport
on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting
in the 8th mo next at 2 o'clock in the
afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas H. Earle Clk.

The following communication was sent to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, viz.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders to be held at Newport in Rhode Island in the Sixth month 1878.

Dear Friends

We forward to you the condition of our meeting as shown by the answers to the queries by our friends George Anthony, Abner Slade, Abel F. Collins, James Dennis Huldah M. Beede, Sarah Slade, Gulielma Freeborn Elizabeth H Potter Cynthia J Earle, Anna T Dennis Jacob Mott Phebe S. Anthony & Ruth Ann Collins whom we appoint our representatives.

All our meetings of Ministers and Elders have been regularly held during the past year

Chas. F. Earle Clerk

Summary Answers

First Ministers and Elders are diligent in attending Meetings for worship & discipline and careful to promote the attendance of their families

Second We trust their lives & conversation are clean & blameless amongst men, that they are in unity one with another as far as appears, and with the meeting to which they belong harmoniously laboring together for the honor of Truth

Third They endeavor to rule their own houses well and by example & precept to train up their families in accordance with our Christian profession

Fourth They are preserved in love & are engaged to administer encouragement or counsel in regard to ministry or conduct as occasion may require

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport 7th mo 31st 1878

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are, from

Rhode Island George Anthony Josiah Chace
Cynthia Bowen & Elisabeth H. Potter
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Solomon R Knowles
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J Earle
Swansey Abner Slade Obadiah Chace
Esther Chace Rebecca Anthony & Sarah Slade
Providence James Dennis Hannah F Peckham
and Anna T. Dennis
South Kingstown Peter H. Collins Electa Jane Collins
and Edward W. Collins

who are present except three for one of whom a satisfactory excuse was given

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of Meetings:– "report" that those of the committee who had been together were united in feeling that the meetings were satisfactorily held

We appoint our friends Esther Chace Sarah Slade Josiah Chace & Abel F Collins a committee to have the oversight of Meetings at this time and report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of ministers and elders "report" that all attended except one

Having disposed of the business of this meeting in harmony we conclude purposing to meet in Fall River on fourth day before the Quarterly meeting in the eleventh month next at three o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1878

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Abner Potter Jr. Jacob Mott
Elisabeth H. Potter & Susanna Mott
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Cynthia J Earle
& Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Henry C Aydelotte Saml. R Buffington
Phebe S Anthony & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Allen Jay
Sarah K Reynolds & Huldah M Beede
So. Kingstown Peter H Collins & Edward W Collins

who are present except two, for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given

The Committee appointed at our last Mtg. to have the oversight of meetings, "Report" That they were united in believing that the meetings were satisfactorily held. We appoint our friends Saml. R Buffington Nathan Chace Susanna Mott & Anna T. Dennis a Com. to have the oversight of meetings at this time & to report at our next meeting. The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

Desiring that our Heavenly Father may lead & guide us according to His holy will we conclude purposing to meet again in Providence on 4th day before the Qly. Mtg. in the 2nd mo 1879 at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Providence 2nd. mo 5th. 1879.

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island	George Anthony Jacob Mott Margaret " " & Cynthia Bowen.
Greenwich	Solomon R. Knowles Edward Buffington Cynthia J Earle & Lydia A Macomber
Swansey	Obadiah Chace Saml. R Buffington and Esther Chace
Providence	James Dennis Allen Jay Huldah M Beede & Sarah F Tobey
So. Kingstown	Peter H. Collins & Electa J. Collins

who are present except two.

Jacob Mott on behalf of the representatives proposed the appointment of Chas. W. Earle for clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year which being united with he is accordingly appointed to that service.

One of the committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings informs us that not having met together for that purpose are not prepared to report.

We appoint our friends James Dennis Hannah F Peckham & Anna T Dennis a committee to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & to report at the next Meeting

The quries have all been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings.

A proposition was laid before this meeting that the appointment of a committee to have the oversight of meetings should be hereafter discontinued which not being decided at this time is referred to our next meeting

Having concluded the business of the meeting we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before the Qtly. Mty. in 5th mo. next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
clerk.

At Rhode Id. and Qtly. Mtg. of Ministers & Elders held at E. Greenwich 4th mo 30th 1879.

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island George Anthony Thos B Buffum
Margaret " " & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles Chas W. Earle
Gulielma Freeborn & Lydia A. Macomber
Swansey Saml. A Buffinton Henry C Aydelotte
& Rebecca Anthony.
Providence Allen Jay James Dennis
Sarah K. Reynolds & Sarah F. Tobey
So. Kingstown Peter H Collins Abel F Collins
& Electa Jane Collins

who are present except two for one of whom a satisfactory excuse was given.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "report as follows"

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of ministers & elders to be held at E. Greenwich

The committee on the oversight of mtgs. are united in reporting that the meetings were orderly held and most of the testimonies were satisfactory

On behalf of the committee James Dennis
Prov. 4th mo. 29th. 1879.

The proposition brought before our last Mtg. that the appointment of a committee on the oversight of meetings should be discontinued being again brought before us and the meeting not being united upon its discontinuance the subject was indefinitly laid aside

We appoint Jacob Mott Chas. W. Earle Susanna Mott & Hannah F. Peckham a committee to have the oversight of meetings at this time & to report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this Mtg. with the required answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. a summary of which the clerk is directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting of ministers & elders next to be held at Portland Maine by Abner Potter Jr. Allen Jay Samuel R. Buffinton Jacob Mott Huldah M. Beede Cynthia Bowen Anna T. Dennis Gulielma Freeborn Elizabeth H. Potter Sarah K Reynolds Susanna Mott & Electa Jane Collins whom we appoint representatives

All our meetings of ministers & elders have been regularly held during the past year

This meeting feeling that its members would be better accommodated by changing the hour of commencing its session at E. Greenwich from two to three o'clk P.M. are united in asking the Quarterly Meeting to grant this request

Having concluded the business of the meeting in much condescension & love we purpose to meet at Newport on 4th day before our Qtly. Mtg. in the 8th mo next at 2 o.clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk.

The following communication was sent to the Yearly Mtg. of Ministers & Elders viz

To the Yearly Mtg. of Ministers & Elders for New England to be held at Portland Maine in the sixth month next (1879)

Dear friends

We forward to you the condition of our meeting as shown by the answers to the queries by our friends Abner Potter Jr Allen Jay Saml. R Buffinton Jacob Mott Huldah M Beede Cynthia Bowen Anna T Dennis Gulielma Freeborn Elizabeth H Potter Sarah K. Reynolds Susanna Mott & Electa Jane Collins whom we appoint our representative.

All our meetings of Ministers & Elders have been regularly held during the past year

Chas. W. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport 8th mo 6th 1879

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Josiah Chace Geo Anthony
Annabella E Winn & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Chas. H. Earle & Lydia A. Macomber
Swansey Obadiah Chace Nathan Chace
and Rebecca Anthony
Providence James Dennis Sarah H. Reynolds
and Anna T. Dennis
So Kingston Wm. H. Perry & Lois Perry
Peter H. Collins & Ruth Ann Collins

who are present except two for the absence of one a satisfactory reason was given

The committee appointed at our last Mtg. to have the oversight of Meetings not having met together had no report to present

We appoint Josiah Chace Phebe S. Anthony Anna T. Dennis & James Dennis a Committee to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & to report at our next Meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings.

We have received information at this time from the clerk of Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. that, that meeting in 6th mo. last united with South Kingston Monthly Mtg. in acknowledging the gift & approving the public appearance in the ministry of William H. Perry his name is now added to our list of members.

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Having concluded the business of the meeting under a fresh sense of the goodness of God to his loving children we purpose to meet again at Fall River on 4th day before the Qtly. Mtg. in the 11th mo next at three o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Fall River 11th mo. 5th 1879.

By accounts received from each of our Preparative Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are f

Rhode Island	Thos. B. Buffum Jacob Mott Susanna Mott & Cynthia [illegible]
Greenwich	Chas. W. Earle Solomon R Knowles Cynthia J. Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey	Henry C. Aydelott Nathan Chace Rebecca Anthony & Phebe S. Anthony
Providence	Robert P. Gifford Allen Jay Phebe R. Gifford & Anna T. Dennis
So. Kingston	Abel F. Collins Peter H Collins

who are present except one

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings "Report" That the meetings were orderly held & nearly all the testimonies were satisfactory Signed J.D.

We appoint Jacob Mott Peter H Collins & Elizabeth F. Potter a committee to have the oversight of meetings at this time & to report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings.

Having concluded the business of this meeting in harmony, we adjourn, to meet in Providence on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo. next at 11 o'clk. in the forenoon if the Lord permit.

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Providence 2nd mo. 4th. 1880.

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island	Jacob Mott Thos B. Buffum Mary Alice Gifford & Susanna Mott.
Greenwich	Edward Buffington Chas. W. Earle Lydia A Macomber & Cynthia J. Earle
Swansey	Nathan Chace Obadiah Chace Esther Chace & Sarah Slade
Providence	James Dennis Robert P. Gifford Huldah M. Beede & Sarah K. Reynolds
S Kingstown	Ruth Ann Collins Peter H. Collins and Edward H. Collins.

Who are present except eight. - satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of six

One of the Committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings inform us that not having met for that purpose have no report to offer. We appoint Chas. W. Earle and Anna [illegible] Dennis a committee to have the oversight of meetings at this time & to report at our next Meeting.

The time of service of the present clerk having expired it was proposed that Chas W Earle be reappointed for clerk of this meeting which being united with by the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year

The queries have all been read in this Meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

We have received information at this time from the clerks of R.I. Qly Meeting that that Meeting confirmed the decision of So. Kingstown Monthly meeting in regard to approving the gift & appearance in the ministry of Harriet D. Collins

We are informed by the clerk of R.I. Qly. Mtg. that the proposed change of the hour of commencing this meeting in the fifth month. (viz from 2 to 3 oclk) was united with by the quarterly meeting and approved of by the Yearly Meeting

Having accomplished the business that has been brought before us, we purpose to meet at E. Greenwich on fourth day after our Qly mtg in the 5th mo. next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Qly. Mtg. of Ministers and Elders held at E. Greenwich 5th mo. 5th 1880

By accounts received from each of our preparative Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from
R Island Jacob Mott Thomas B. Buffum
Elizabeth H. Potter & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles Chas. W. Earle
Rhoda H. Buffington & Gulielma Freeborn
Swanzey Nathan Chace Saml. R. Buffinton
Sarah Slade & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Sarah F Tobey & Sarah K Reynolds
So. Kingstown Ruth Ann. Collins Peter Hoxie Collins
and William H. Perry, who are present except three, for the absence of two of these satisfactory reasons were given

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings, report as follows.— To Rhode Island Qly. Mtg. of ministers & elders

Dear friends — We the committee appointed to take the oversight of mtgs. are united in feeling that the mtgs. were held to good satisfaction Signed Charles W. Earle
Providence 4th mo 28th 1880. Anna T. Dennis

We appoint Nathan Chace James Dennis Susanna Mott & Sarah Slade to have the oversight of mtgs. at this time & to report at our next meeting

The queries have all been read in this mtg. with the required answers from each of our preparative mtgs. from which has been selected summary answers which the clerk is directed to forward with any other necessary information to the Yearly Mtg. of Ministers & elders for New England next to be held at Newport by Allen Jay Abner Potter Jr. Saml. R. Buffinton Jacob Mott Abel T. Collins Cynthia J. Earle Phebe R. Gifford Huldah M. Beede Esther Chace Gulielma Freeborn and Susanna Mott. whom we appoint representatives. - All our Mtgs. have been held regularly during the past year.

Having been enabled to dispose of the business that has been brought before us in love and harmony,- we conclude, under a precious sense that the Lord is still mindful of us.- purposing to meet at Newport in the 8th mo next on 4th day before the Qtly. Mtg. at two o clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit-

Chas. W. Earle clk.

The following was sent to the Y. M. of M. & E. viz

"To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & elders for New England to be held at Newport R. I. in the sixth mo. next

"Dear friends - The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. a summary of which with other necessary information we forward to the aforesaid meeting by Allen Jay Abner Potter Jr. Saml. R. Buffinton Jacob Mott Abel T. Collins Cynthia J. Earle Phebe R. Gifford Huldah M. Beede Esther Chace Gulielma Freeborn & Susanna Mott whom we appoint representatives. All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

Signed by direction of Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. of ministers & elders held at E Greenwich 5th mo. 3d. 18[illegible].

Chas. W. Earle clk.

Summary answers to the Queries.

Ans. 1st Ministers & Elders are diligent in attending their Mtgs. for worship & discipline and careful to promote the attendance of their families with little exception.

Ans 2nd The lives of Ministers & Elders in a good degree clean & blameless.- but we think there is room for improvement in regard to the requirements of this query.

Ans 3rd With some exception in one meeting they endeavor to rule their own houses well, and by example and precept encourage their families in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession.

Ans 4th They are mostly preserved in love; administering encouragement and counsel as occasion requires, in regard to ministry and conduct.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
of Ministers & Elders held at Newport 8th mo 4th 1880

By accounts received from each of our
preparative meetings, the representatives therein
named, to attend this meeting are, from

Rhode Island Levi Almy, Jacob Mott,
Annabella E. Winn & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle, Cynthia J Earle,
and Lydia A Macomber,
Swansey Saml R Buffinton Joseph Estes
Rebecca Anthony, & Esther Chace.
Providence James Dennis Robt P. Gifford,
Huldah M. Beede, & Sarah K Reynolds.
So Kingston William H Perry Peter H. Collins
Electa Jane Collins & Harriette D Collins

who are present, except six, for the absence of four of whom satisfactory reasons were given.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of Meetings inform us, that they were united in reporting that the meetings were satisfactorily held.

We appoint our friends Jacob Mott, Josiah Chace, & Sarah Slade a committee to have the oversight of Meetings at this time & report, to our next Meeting.

The representatives, appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of ministers & elders, held in the Sixth month last, report that they all attended.

The queries have all been read in this meeting, with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings.

Under a sense that the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof & desiring to follow more closely the leadings and guidance of the Holy Spirit in our individual lives we conclude purposing to meet in Fall River on 4th day of the week before the Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo next at three o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle. Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Fall River 11th mo 3rd 1880.

By accounts received from each of our preparative Meetings the representatives then named to attend this Meeting are—from

Rhode Island Levi Almy George Anthony
Susanna Mott & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich. Edward Buffington Chas W Earle
and Cynthia J Earle
Swansey Darius Buffinton Nathan Chace
Phebe T Anthony & Rebecca Anthony
Providence James Dennis Allen Jay
Huldah [illegible] & Anna T Dennis
So Kingston Wm H Perry & Electa Jane Collins
who are present except two

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the oversight of meetings informed that two of the Committee were united in reporting that the meetings were satisfactorily held [illegible] on 4th day. the other member of the Committee reported that she did not unite with the aforesaid report

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

We have received information at this time that Rhode Island Qtly Meeting in the 8th mo. last united with Swansea Monthly Meeting in appointing Darius Buffinton & Charles A. Chace to the station of elder

We conclude for sitting to meet in Providence on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo next at 11 o'clock in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Providence 2nd mo. 2nd 1881.

By documents received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Jacob Mott Thos B Buffum
[illegible]
Greenwich [illegible]
[illegible] Freeborn
Newport [illegible]
Rebecca Anthony & Esther Chace
[illegible] Robert P Gifford James Dennis
Sarah F Tobey & Sarah K Reynolds
Swansea [illegible] Collins
Wm H Perry & Peter H Collins

who are present except four (4)

[illegible] present Chas W. Earle [illegible]
[illegible]

The [illegible] read in [illegible]
with answers from each of our preparative Mtgs.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Chas W. Earle, Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at East Greenwich 5th mo 4th. 1881.

By accounts received from each of our Preparative Mtgs. the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island	Jacob Mott George Anthony Margaret Anthony & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich	Chas. W. Earle Solomon R. Knowles Gulielma Freeborn & Lydia A. Macomber
wansey	Nathan Chace Charles A. Chace Esther Chace & Sarah Slade
Providence	James Dennis Robert P. Gifford Anna T. Dennis & Phebe R. Gifford
So Kingstown	William H. Perry Peter H. Collins and Ruth Ann Collins.

who are present except two for the absence of these satisfactory reasons were given.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. a summary of which has been prepared for the use of the Yearly Meeting next to be held in Portland Maine which we forward by our friends Allen Jay Charles A. Chace William H Perry Obadiah Chace Huldah M. Beede Rebecca Anthony Esther Chace and Cynthia J. Earle whom we appoint representatives

Our meetings have all been regularly held during the past year.

Having accomplished the business that has been brought before us in harmony and love. and having been witnesses and made partakers in a measure, of the goodness of God to us. we purpose to meet at Newport on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in the 8th mo. next at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

The names of the members of Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. of Ministers & Elders are as follows.

Belonging to [illegible]

R. I. Mo. Mtg. —	Greenwich	Swansey	Providence
Ministers	Ministers	Ministers	Ministers
[illegible] Almy	Gulielma Freeborn	Obadiah Chace	Huldah M Beede
Oliver Potter Jr.	Lydia A. Macomber	Henry C Aydelotte	Sarah K. Reynolds
Cynthia Bowen	Cynthia J. Earle	Rebecca Anthony	Allen Jay
Annabella E. Winn			Phebe R Gifford
Thos. B. Buffum	Elders	Elders	Robt. P. Gifford
			Charlotte D. Holmes
Mary A Gifford	Solomon R. Knowles	Jos. Estes	Elders
Elders			
Geo. Anthony	Chas. W. Earle	Eunice Estes	James Dennis
Josiah Chace	Edwd. Buffinton	Sarah Slade	Anna T Dennis
Jacob Mott	Rhoda H Buffinton	Esther Chace	Sarah [illegible] Libey
Susanna Mott			
Mgt. Anthony		Phebe S Anthony	Hannah F Peckham
Hannah R. Williams		Nathan Chace	Thos. Harkness
Eliz. H Potter		Saml. R. Buffinton	
		Darius Buffinton	
		Chas. A. Chace	

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport 5th mo 3rd 1881

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island mo. Mtg. George Anthony Thos B Buffum
Annabella E Winn & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles & Lydia A Macomber
Swansey Nathan Chace Rebecca Anthony
Obadiah Chace & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P Gifford
Anna T. Dennis & Hannah F. Peckham
So. Kingston Harriet D Collins Edward W. Collins
and William H. Perry who are present

except five for four of these satisfactory reasons were given for their absence

The queries have all been read in this Mtg. with answers from each of our preparative meetings

The representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting report — that all attended except one

So Kingstown
Ministers
Edwd W. Collins
Wm H Perry
H. D. Collins

Our business having been harmoniously concluded we purpose to meet at Fall River on the 4th day of the week before the Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo. next at three o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles W. Earle. Clk.

Elders
Lois Perry
P. H. Collins
R. A. Collins
A. T. "
E. J. "

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Fall River 11th mo 2nd 1881

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings, the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Thos B. Buffum George Anthony
Margaret Anthony & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Chas W. Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Joseph Estes Charles A Chace
Phebe S. Anthony & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Anna T Dennis & Sarah K. Reynolds
So, Kingstown William H Perry Peter H Collins
and Ruth Ann Collins who are present except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings

Having been favored to meet together for the purpose of worshiping our heavenly Father & the transaction of the affairs of the church militant. we feel He still careth for us.- & we desire that each of us may remember the failings of others in love & prayer:- for if we do not love our brother whom we have seen, how can we love God whom we have not seen

We now conclude purposing to meet in Providence on the 4th. day of the week before our Qtly. Mtg. in the 2nd mo next at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle, Clk

At Rhode Island Qtly. Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Providence 2nd mo. 1st 1882.

By accounts received from each of our preparative except one meetings, the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from.

R. Island Thos. B. Buffum & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Chas. N. Earle Solomon R. Knowles
Cynthia J. Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swanzey Obadiah Chace Darius Buffinton
Rebecca Anthony & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Sarah K. Reynolds & Phebe R. Gifford
So Kings No account

Representatives present except three.

The term of service of the present clerk having expired, James Dennis on behalf of the representatives, proposed that Chas. N. Earle be appointed for that service, which being approved by the meeting he is appointed for the year ensuing.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers thereto from each of our preparative Meetings except South Kingston.

While the answers to the queries have brought our deficiencies before us the minds of many friends were drawn into exercise for the welfare of souls & of the Church. Much tender advices counsel flowed feelingly from those who have been privileged to be with us at this time. And that although we are not what we ought to be: we have been encouraged to look more confidingly & trustingly to the Lord and His dear Son who will not lead us astray nor allow us to fall, if we continue steadfast in our allegiance unto Him.

May each one of us endeavor to live so near to the great Head of the church that under the illuminating influence of His Holy Spirit ~~that~~ we may be ready & willing to do the work of the Lord in his own time and way; giving Him all the praise.

We now conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before the Qtly. Mtg. in 5th mo. next at 3 o.clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk

Names of Ministers & Elders belonging to R.I. Qtly. Mtg

R.I. Mo. Mtg. Ministers Levi Almy, Abner Potter Jr. Cynthia Bowen Annabella E Winn Thos B Buffum Mary Alice Gifford. Elders. Geo. Anthony Josiah Chace Jacob Mott Susana Mott Mgt. Anthony Hannah B Williams Elisabeth H Potter.

Greenwich Ministers Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A Macomber Cynthia J Earle Elders Solomon R Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edwd Buffington Rhoda H Buffington

Swansea Ministers Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelotte. Rebecca Anthony. Elders Jos. Estes Eunice Estes Sarah Slade Esther Chace Nathan Chace Saml R Buffinton Darius Buffinton Chas A. Chace

Providence Ministers- Huldah M. Beede Sarah K. Reynold Phebe R. Gifford Robt P. Gifford Charlotte D. Holmes Elders- James Dennis Anna T Dennis Sarah F Tobey Hannah F Peckham Thos Harkness.

So. Kingston Ministers- Edwd W. Collins Wm H. Perry Harriette D. Collins Elders- Lois Perry Peter H Collins Ruth An Collins Abel F Collins Electa Jane Collins

At Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Ministers & Elders held at East Greenwich 5th mo 3rd 1882

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Geo. Anthony Thos. B. Buffum
Mgt. Anthony & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Solomon R Knowles Chas. W. Earle
Cynthia J Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Nathan Chace Darius Buffinton
Esther Chace & Rebecca Anthony
Prov. James Dennis Robt. P. Gifford
Hannah F. Peckham & Sarah K. Reynolds
So Kingston Wm. H. Perry Peter H. Collins
and Ruth Ann Collins.
who are present except four

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers from each of our preparative meetings a summary of which the clerk is directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting of M & E. next to be held at Newport R.I.

We appoint Saml. R Buffinton Obadiah Chace Wm. H. Perry James Dennis Huldah M. Beede Esther Chace Cynthia Bowen and Gulielma Freeborn representatives to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders.

It is the conclusion of the meeting at this time that the list of our members heretofore annually revised the first of the second mo. shall be made to the first of third month in each year & reported to this meeting in the fifth mo. following & the clerk is directed to give this information to the clerks of subordinate meetings.

The meeting taking into consideration the subject of love brought before us by the answers to the queries:- Much tender & pertinent counsel was given in a feeling manner urging the necessity of abiding in that love which comes from God - for God is love

We now conclude purposing to meet at Newport on 4th day before the Qtly Mtg. in the 8th mo next at 2 o.clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
clerk

The following was sent to the Yearly Meeting of ministers & elders viz

To the Yearly Mtg. of Ministers & elders for New England to be held at Newport R.I. in the sixth mo. next.

Dear friends

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. a summary of which with other necessary minutes the clerk is directed to forward to the Y. Meeting.
We appoint Saml. R Buffinton Obadiah Chace Wm H Perry James Dennis Huldah M Beede Esther Chace Cynthia Bowen & Gulielma Freeborn representatives to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders
All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

Signed by direction of R.I. Qtly Mtg. of Ministers & Elders held at East Greenwich 5th mo 3rd 1882

Chas. W. Earle clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport 6th mo 5th 1852.

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this mtg. are from,

Rhode Island George Anthony Wm B. Buffum

Annabella E. Winn & Margaret Anthony

Greenwich Solomon K Knowles & Lydia A Macomber

Swansey Nathan Chace Obadiah Chace

Sarah Slade & Rebecca Anthony

Providence Robert L. Gifford James Dennis

Sarah K Reynolds & Anna T Dennis

S. Kingstown William H Perry Harriet D Collins

and Edward W. Collins. who are present except six, for the absence of one of them a satisfactory reason was given

The queries have all been read in this meeting, with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting report" That they all attended.

Having transacted the business of the meeting in harmony we now conclude, purposing to meet at Fall River on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo next at 3 o.clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of friends on Ministry and oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 1st 1882

By the accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island George Anthony & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle & Lydia Macomber
Swansey Joseph Estes Obadiah Chace
Eunice Estes & Rebecca Anthony
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Sarah K. Reynolds & Anna [illegible] Dennis
So. Kingston William H. Perry Edward W. Collins
And Harriet D. Collins who are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

The queries have all been read in this mtg. with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings. The paragraphs of advice, which are to be read in our meeting once or more each year, have been read at this time.

We have been favored at this time with the company of beloved messengers of the gospel from other meetings whose counsel has been edifying, and feelings of gratitude have arisen in our hearts to Him who is the Giver of every good & perfect gift—

Having concluded the business of the Meeting in harmony & love we purpose to meet in Providence on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in the 2nd mo next at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 11th mo 1st 1885.

[illegible] the accounts received from each of our preparative Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this Mtg. are from

R Island George Anthony & Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon R Knowles
Cynthia J Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
[illegible] Darius [illegible] [illegible]
Sarah Slade & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robt P. Gifford
Sarah K Reynolds & Huldah M. Beede
[illegible] William H. Perry & Harriet D. Collins
who are present except three

The term of service of the present clerk having expired James Dennis on behalf of the representatives proposed that Chas. W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the Mtg. he is accordingly appointed to that service for the yr ensuing.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers to the [illegible] [illegible] from each of our preparative meetings

We have received information from the [illegible] of R. I. Mly Mtg that that mtg in 11th mo [illegible] united with [illegible] monthly mtg. in the appointment of William Weaver & Mary W. Jones as members of meetings on ministry & oversight

While we have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of God, words of counsel & encouragement, & prayers of praise & blessing, have flowed freely from [illegible] of our members, & other dear friends, who have come and sat down with us in love: urging that we might exercise great charity towards each other:

even to love our neighbor as ourselves, and also to our utmost ability, as we receive the help from the great Head of the church, to bring those that are yet afar off into the true fold of Christ.

Having concluded the business of the mtg. in harmony & love we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th. day, of the week before our Qtly. Mtgs in 5th mo. next at three o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1883

By the accounts received from each of our preparative meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Cynthia Bowen & Geo. Anthony
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Solomon R. Knowles
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J. Earle
Swansey Saml. R Buffinton Benj A. Chace
Rachel P Chace & Rebecca Anthony
[illegible] James Dennis Robert P Gifford
Sarah K. Reynolds & Anna T. Dennis
S. Kingston William H. Perry Anna A. Gould
George S. Gould & Ruth Ann Collins

who are present except three for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers to the required number from each of our subordinate meetings a summary of which with other necessary information the clerk is

directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry &
versight. We appoint Robert P. Buffinton Obadiah Chace
Phebe S. Aydelotte Cynthia J. Earle Esther Chace
William H. Perry Samuel R Buffinton and
Ruth Ann Collins, representatives to attend the
above mentioned Yearly Meeting

All our meetings have been regularly held
during the past year.

Deficiencies appearing in the answers to the queries
from two of our subordinate meetings we appoint
Henry C. Aydelotte Gulielma [illegible] Obadiah Chace
and Cynthia J. Earle a committee to visit them in
the spirit of restoring love, that, that unity of the
spirit, and the bond, of peace which becomes the
followers of Christ may be more fully shown

The business being finished the meeting closed.

Chas. W. Earle clk.

Q.S. The following information was received from the
clerk of R.I. Qtly Mtg. viz
To the meeting on Ministry & Oversight of R.I. Qtly Mtg.
Dear friends
In compliance with requirements of
discipline you are hereby informed that at R.I.
Qtly Meeting of "Friends" held at Providence 2nd mo 1st 1883
that meeting united with Greenwich Mo. Mtg. in the
appointment of Chas. T. Kenyon & Mary Clapp
to the station of Elder and with So. Kingston Mo.
Mtg. in the appointment of Geo. S. Gould & Anna
A Gould to the same station — also were united in
the appointment of Benjamin A Chace Herbert A
Skinner Maria Earle Rachel P. Chace Phebe S.
Aydelotte Parthenia Underwood & Elizabeth S Newton
from Swansea Monthly Meeting

Mary S. Collins and Elizabeth N. Perry from South Kingstown Mo. Mtg. as members of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight

The required information has been furnished to all of the above named friends

From the minutes of Rhode Island Qtly meeting of Friends held at Providence 2nd mo 1st 1883

Saml. R. Buffinton clerk

The following was directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting Viz

To the Yearly Meeting of friends on Ministry & Oversight for New England to be held at Portland Maine in the sixth month 1883

Dear friends

The queries have all been read in this Meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. a summary of which with other necessary information the clerk is directed to forward to the Yearly Mtg.

We appoint Robt. P. Gifford Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Aydelotte Cynthia J. Earle Esther Chace Wm. H. Perry Saml. R Buffinton & Ruth Ann Collins representatives to attend the above mentioned Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

Signed by direction of R.I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry and oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1883

Chas. W. Earle

Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 1st 1883.

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Josiah Chase Hannah B. Williams
Levi Almy & Annabella E Winn
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles Chas W. Earle
Lydia A Macomber Gulielma Freeborn & C. J. Earle.
Swansea Saml R. Buffinton Richard R. Macomber
Phebe S. Aydelotte Sarah J. Macombe.
Providence James Dennis Robt P. Gifford
Phebe R Gifford & Louisa R. Meader
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins George S Gould
and Harriet D Collins who are present except five

The queries have all been read in this meeting with required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The following information from R. I. Qtly. meeting was received & read at this time viz. To Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends.

In conformity with requirements of discipline you are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East-Greenwich 5th mo 3rd 1883 united with South Kingston Mo. Mtg. in acknowledging the gift and approving the public Ministry of Electa Jane Collins and with Swansea Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Elisabeth J Newton and Sarah C. Skinner to the station of elder.

Also united in the appointment of the

following named friends as members of the meetings on Ministry and Oversight: Viz,
from Greenwich Mary E Kenyon
Swansea Richard R Macomber
Sarah P Macomber & Sarah E. Buffinton
Providence Thos. J. Battey Daniel Meader
Ellen K Buffum & Louisa N. Meader

The required information has also been furnished the above named friends

From the minutes of R.I. Qtly Mtgs of Friends held as above

Saml. R. Buffinton
Clerk

The committee appointed at our last Mtg. to visit two of our subordinate Mtgs. from which deficient answers were received, make the following "report" viz

To R.I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Newport 8th mo. 1st. 1883

Your committee under appointment of 5th mo. last to visit two of our subordinate Mtgs. would report that Three of our number attended the preparative Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 7th mo. 17th 1883 and were cordially received. The cause of disunity still exists but friends manifested a desire to remove all difficulties among themselves and were encouraged in that course by the Committee. They were also requested to bring any differences that they could not settle among themselves to the Qtly. Mtg. on Ministry Oversight. Three of our number also visited an adjourned meeting of the preparative meeting on Ministry & Oversight held at

Newport 8th mo 1st 1883 and were kindly received Friends manifesting much interest in securing a better condition of things amongst them They were encouraged to make some effort towards a reconciliation by the appointment of a committee but their desire was that the points of difference be referred to your Committee and the work is not in shape to report anything definitely at present On behalf of the Committee

Henry C. Aydelott

Which is accepted and the Committee are continued to extend further care in the Matter

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Mtg on Ministry & oversight, Report their attendance except two whose absence we deem excusable

The business of the meeting being finished we purpose to meet at Fall River on fourth day before our Qtly Mtg. in 11th mo next at 3 oclock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas H. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 10th mo 31st 1883

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representative therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Cynthia Bowen George Anthony
Margaret Anthony & Mary A Gifford
Greenwich Charles W Earle Cynthia J. Earle
Lydia A Macomber & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansea Herbert A. Skinner Richard R Macomber
Sarah C Skinner and Elizabeth S Newton
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Phebe R. Gifford and Sarah K. Reynolds
So. Kingstown Peter H Collins Ruth Ann Collins
Harriet D. Collins & Wm H Perry.

who are present except one

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The committee appointed in 5th mo. last on account of deficiencies in the answers from two of our preparative meetings make the following report: viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Fall River 10th mo 31st 1883

We your committee appointed in fifth month last in reference to deficiencies in the answers from Rhode Island and Providence preparative meetings on Ministry and Oversight would report further attention to the subject. While there are indications of a better state of feeling in some respects, the lack of unity in a general way still prevails. As to Rhode Island so far as we have been able to ascertain the facts in the case, the existing disunity is without just cause and ought not to continue. – In Providence there are some encouraging signs of improvement, and your Committee is given to hope that they will be able to adjust their differences among themselves

Signed Henry C Aydelotte
Obadiah Chace
Cynthia J Earle
Gulielma Freeborn

Which is accepted and the Committe are released from further service in the matter

We have at this time received cheering and encouraging words from some of our own members, – also pertinent & loving counsel from ministering friends who have left their distant homes to come and meet with us

Having concluded the business of the Meeting in harmony & love we purpose to meet in Providence on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo. next at 11 o.clk. in the forenoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 6th 1884.

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

R Island Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles Edward
Buffinton Gulielma Freeborn & Lydia A Macomber
Swanseay Darius Buffinton Obadiah Chace
Rebecca Anthony & Sarah C. Skinner
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Huldah M. Beede & Ellen K. Buffum
So. Kingston Harriet D. Collins Wm H. Perry
and Elisabeth N. Perry, who are all present except four.

The term of service of the present clerk having expired James Dennis on behalf of the representatives proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing.

The queries have all been rea in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The following information from R.I. Qtly Mtg. was received and read in this meeting viz

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight

Dear Friends

In compliance with requirements of discipline you are hereby informed that at Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 11th mo 1st. 1883, that that meeting united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of William Sherman and Mary Dame to the Station of elder. The required information has also been furnished the above named friends.

From the minutes of R. I. Qtly. mtg. of Friends held as above

Saml R Buffinton clk.

Having had a solemn & deeply interesting meeting, the business of which being concluded in harmony and love, we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 5th mo. next. at three o clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 4th mo. 30th. 1884

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from,

Rhode Island Cynthia Bowen
Greenwich Mary Clapp & Solomon R Knowles
Swansey Nathan Chace Saml. R. Buffinton
Phebe S Aydelott & Esther Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P Gifford
Sarah K Reynolds & Phebe R Gifford
So. Kingston Harriet D Collins Anna A Gould
George I Gould & Wm H Perry

who are all present except two.- satisfactory reasons are given for their absence

The queries have all been read in this meeting, with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings a summary of which being approved by the meeting the clerk is directed to forward with any other necessary extracts to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Newport in the sixth month next.

William H. Perry Samuel R Buffinton James Dennis Obadiah Chace Harriet D Collins Ellen K. Buffum Sarah K Reynolds Rebecca Anthony & Sarah Slade are appointed representatives thereto.

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

Having concluded the business of the meeting in harmony & love we purpose to meets at Newport on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in the 8th month next at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle
Clerk

The following extract from the minutes of the Qtly Mtg. was sent to the Yearly Meeting in 6th mo 1884

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight for New England to be held at Newport R.I. in the sixth month 1884

Dear friends, The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings, a summary of which being approved by the Mtg. the clerk is directed to forward them to the Yearly Meeting

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint Wm H. Perry Samuel R. Buffinton James Dennis Obadiah Chace Harriet D Collins Ellen K Buffum Sarah K. Reynolds Rebecca Anthony & Sarah Slade representatives to the Yearly Meeting.

Extracted & signed by C. W. Earle clk

Ans 1st With a little exception in two preparative meetings we are dilligent in attending our meetings for worship & discipline and to promote the attendance of our families.

ans 2 We are in unity with each other and our meetings & labor in harmony to gather unto Christ, with a little exception in two meetings

Note:- "Care has been taken in reference to these dficiencies"

1884 [illegible] of

A list of the names of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry & Oversight

In Rhode Island Monthly meeting

Ministers	Levi Almy, Abner Potter Jr. Cynthia Bowen Annabella E Winn Thomas B. Buffum and Mary Alice Gifford
Elders	George Anthony Josiah Chace Jacob Mott Susanna Mott Margaret Anthony Hannah B. Williams Elizabeth H. Potter William Weaver & Mary Dame
members	Mary W. Jones

Greenwich

Ministers	Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber & Cynthia J. Earle
Elders	Solomon R. Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edward Buffington Rhoda H Buffington Mary Clapp & Charles D Kenyon
Members	Mary E. Kenyon

Swansey

Ministers	Obadiah Chace Henry C Aydelott and Rebecca Anthony
Elders	Joseph Estes Eunice Estes Sarah Slade Esther Chace Nathan Chace Samuel R Buffinton Darius Buffinton Charles A. Chace Elisabeth S Newton and Sarah C Skinner
Members	Benjamin A Chace Herbert A. Skinner Maria Earle Rachel P Chace Phebe S. Aydelott Parthenia Underwood Adeline F. Chace Sarah E Buffinton Mary S. Buffinton and Sarah J Macomber

Providence

ministers Huldah M Beede Sarah K. Reynolds Phebe
R Gifford Charlotte D Holmes & Rob^{t}. P. Gifford
Elders James Dennis Anna T. Dennis Sarah F. Tobey
Hannah F. Peckham & Tho^{s} Harkness.
members Thomas J. Battey Daniel Meader Ellen K. Buffum
Louisa N Meader

South Kingstown

ministers Edward W. Collins William H Perry
Harriet D Collins & Electa J. Collins
Elders Lois Perry Peter H Collins Ruth Ann Collins
George S. Gould Anna A. Gould
members Mary S. Collins Elizabeth N. Perry

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 6th 1884

By accounts received from each of our Subordinate Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from,

Rhode Island William Sherman Margaret Anthony
and Mary Dame
Greenwich Lydia A. Macomber and
Solomon R. Knowles
Swansey Obadiah Chace Darius Buffinton
Esther Chace & Rebecca Anthony
Providence Daniel Meader Charlotte D. Holmes
James Dennis & Adelia C. Mann
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins Ruth Ann Collins
Peter H Collins & Wm H Perry

who are all present except four, for the absence of two of these satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Meetings

The following communications from R.I. Quarterly Meeting have been received and read viz,

To the meeting on Ministry & Oversight of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
Dear friends,

In conformity with the requirements of Discipline you are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Providence 2nd mo, 7th 1884 united with Swansea Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Mary S. Buffinton and Adaline F. Chace as members of the meetings on Ministry & Oversight. This information has also been furnished the above named friends

By direction & on behalf of R.I. Quarterly Meeting held as above

Saml R Buffinton clerk

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Dear friends

You are informed that at Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 1st 1884 that meeting united with Providence Mo. Meeting in acknowledging the gift, and approving the public Ministry of Adelia C Mann.

The required information has also been forwarded to the friend above named.

From the minutes of R.I. Qtly Mtg. of "Friends" held as aforesaid,

Saml. R. Buffinton
Clerk

The representatives appointed at our last Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight "report" That all attended except one

Having concluded the business of the meeting in harmony we purpose to meet in Fall River on fourth day before our Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo. next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle, clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo. 5th. 1884

By accounts received from each of our subordinate Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this Meeting are

from
Rhode Island Wm Sherman Mary Alice Gifford
George Anthony & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Charles D. Kenyon Mary E. Kenyon
and Lydia A Macomber
Swansey Nathan Chace Elisabeth S Newton Rebecca
Anthony Benjamin A. Chace & Saml. R. Buffinton
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Huldah M. Beede & Sarah F. Tobey
So Kingstown Wm. H. Perry & Elisabeth N. Perry

who are all present except four for the absence of two of these satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this Meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Meetings

Having been privileged at this time with the company of several friends from other Meetings, whose loving words have led us into feelings of deep gratitude for the many mercies we receive from the Great Head of the Church. and still Trusting in His care and love, we conclude purposing to meet in Providence on 4th. day before our Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo next at 11 o'clock in the fore noon if the Lord Permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on ministry & oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 4th 1885

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

R. Island Wm. Sherman and Mary Alice Gifford
Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn & Lydia A. Macomber
Swansey Darius Buffinton Mary S. Buffinton
Obadiah Chace & Phebe S. Aydelott
Providence James Dennis Daniel Meader
Huldah M. Beede & Sarah K. Reynolds
So. Kingston Peter H. Collins and Harriet D. Collins

who are present except four, satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two

The term of service of the present clerk having expired Obadiah Chace on behalf of the representatives proposed that Chas. W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings.

Acknowledging the goodness of God in dispensing His blessings, even unto us we conclude the business of our meeting purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 5th mo next at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg.
of Friends on Ministry & Oversight
held at East Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1885

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Mary Alice Gifford
Greenwich Solomon R Knowles & Mary Clapp
Swansey Herbert A. Skinner Darius Buffinton
Sarah E Buffinton & Esther Chase
Providence James Dennis Thos J. Battey
Charlotte D Holmes & Louisa N Meader
So Kingston George S. Gould Anna A Gould
& Wm H Perry;- who are present except one

All the queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the required number from each of our preparative meetings a summary of which being selected & approved by the meeting, the clerk is directed to forward them with any other required parts of these minutes to the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England on Ministry & oversight

The advice following the queries was also read

We appoint Chas A Chace Wm H Perry Electa Jane Collins Ellen K Buffum Phebe S Aydelotte Cynthia J Earle Henry C. Aydlotte Esther Chace & Robt P. Gifford representatives to the ensuing yearly meeting on Ministry & oversight-.

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

The following communication from the clerk of our Yearly Meeting on Ministry and oversight was received & on being read the clerk was directed to furnish the yearly meeting on Ministry & oversight with the statistical information therein called for.

Viz To R. I. Qtly Mtg. of Friends on M. & O.

This meeting is united in requesting the Quarterly Meetings on ministry & oversight to furnish in their annual accounts to this Meeting statistical information of the number of Ministers elders & workers

Taken from the minutes of the Yearly meeting on Ministry & Oversight for New England held at Newport R. I. 6th mo 12th 1884.

signed Alfred H Jones Clk.

A concern claimed the attention of our meeting on account of deficiencies in the in the answers to the queries from some of our subordinate meetings. Whereupon this meeting after deliberately and prayerfully considering the subject, was united in requesting the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & oversight to appoint a committee to visit meetings or members in the power of that love which restores to harmony & to labor as ability is received from the Great Peacemaker wherever the work may seem to be called for.

Having been encouraged by the words of dear friends present to live in love, even to love our neighbor as ourselves, whilst others desired us to dwell in humility at the feet of the dear Redeemer feeling that He will still continue to love & care for us:- and as we have realized His care to be over us. we feel that we can say that it has been good for us to be here

Having harmoniously disposed of the business that came before the meeting we purpose to meet again at New port on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 8th mo next at 2 o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle Clk.

The following extracts from the above minutes were sent to the Yearly Meeting on M. & O.

To the Yearly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry & oversight for New England to be held at Portland Maine in the sixth mo. 1885.

Dear friends

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings a summary of which being selected and approved by the meeting the clerk is directed to forward them with any other required parts of our minutes to the Yearly meeting on Ministry & oversight

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint Chas. A. Chace William H. Perry Electa Jane Collins Ellen K Buffum Phebe S Aydelotte Cynthia J. Earle Henry C Aydelotte Esther Chace & Robt. P. Gifford as our representatives to the aforesaid Meeting

Our membership comprises 21 Ministers 35 elders & 19 appointed members Total 75
3rd mo. 1st 1885.

A concern claimed the attention of our meeting on account of deficiencies in the answers to the queries from some of our subordinate meetings. Whereupon this meeting after deliberately & prayerfully considering the subject was united in requesting the yearly Meeting on Ministry & oversight to appoint a Committee to visit meetings or members in the power of that love which restores to harmony & to labor as ability is received from the great Peacemaker wherever the work seems to be called for

From the minutes of R.I. Qtly Mtg on ministry & oversight held at E Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1885.

Chas. W. Earle clk.

Summary Answers

Query 1st With little exception we are diligent in attending our meetings for worship & discipline and and careful to promote the attendance of our families

2nd We are mostly preserved in unity one with another & with the meetings to which we belong & our labor together in gathering unto Christ is generally harmonious

Query 3 We believe our duties & privileges in regard to the Holy Scriptures, as queried after are prayerfully attended to with a little exception in one preparative meeting

A list of the names of Members of Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. on ministry & oversight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1885.

Rhode Island Monthly Mtg.

Ministers Levi Almy, Abner Potter Jr. Annabella E. Winn Thos B Buffum Mary A Gifford
Elders George Anthony Josiah Chace Jacob Mott Susanna Mott Margaret Anthony Hannah B Williams Elizabeth H Potter Mary Dame
Members Mary W. Jones Wm. Weaver.

Greenwich

Ministers Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A Macomber Cynthia Jones Earle
Elders Solomon R. Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edward Buffinton Rhoda H. Buffinton Mary Clapp Charles D. Kenyon
Members Mary E Kenyon

Swansey

Ministers Obadiah Chace Henry C Aydelott Rebecca Anthony
Elders Joseph Estes Eunice Estes Sarah Slade Esther Chace Saml. R Buffinton Nathan Chace Darius Buffinton Chas A Chace Elisabeth S. Newton Sarah C Skinner
Members Benj. A. Chace Herbert A. Skinner Rachel P Chace Phebe S Aydelott Parthinia Underwood Sarah E Buffinton Mary S Buffinton Adeline F Chace Sarah J. Macomber Maria Earle

Providence

Ministers Huldah M Beede Sarah K Reynolds Phebe
R Gifford Charlotte D. Holmes Robt. P Gifford
Adelia C Mann
Elders James Dennis Anna T Dennis Sarah F
Tobey Hannah F Peckham Thos. Harkness.
Members Thos. J. Battey Daniel Meader Louisa N Meader
Ellen K. Buffum

South Kingstown

Ministers Edward W Collins Wm. H. Perry Harriett
D. Collins Electa Jane Collins
Elders Lois Perry Peter H. Collins Ruth Ann Collins
Abel F Collins George S Gould Anna A
Gould
Members Mary S Collins Elizabeth N Perry

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 5th 1885

By the accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are, from

Rhode Island George Anthony & Margaret Anthony
Greenwich Solomon R. Knowles & Cynthia J. Earle
Swansey Darius Buffinton Obadiah Chace
Phebe S. Aydelott & Esther Chace
Providence Robert P. Gifford Huldah M. Beede
Daniel Meader & Ellen K. Buffum
So. Kingstown "Harriet D Collins & William H. Perry who are all present except one.

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight, "Report" That all attended

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The following communication from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting through its clerk was received, read and directed to be recorded viz.

To the Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight of R I Qtly Mtg.

Dear Friends, In accordance with the requirements of discipline you are hereby informed that R. I. Qtly Mtg. of "Friends" held at E Greenwich 5th mo 7th 1885 that, that meeting united with Swansea Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Hiram Buffinton as a member of Mtgs. on M, & O. The required information has also been furnished the above named friend. Taken from the minutes of the aforesaid Qtly Mtg. held as above

Saml. R Buffinton clk.

Having disposed of the business that came before the meeting in harmony & love we purpose to meet at Fall River on 4th day before our Qtly. Mtg. in 11th mo next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle, clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo, 4th 1885.

By the accounts received from each of our subordinate Meetings except Rhode Island the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island	
Greenwich	Lydia A. Macomber & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansea	Hiram Buffinton Herbert Skinner
	Elisabeth S. Newton & Sarah Slade
Providence	James Dennis Charlotte D. Holmes
	Daniel Meader & Louisa N. Meader
So. Kingstown	Harriet D. Collins & Wm H Perry

who are all present except one

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings except R. Island

Having accomplished the business of our meeting in Christian love & harmony we purpose to meet at Providence on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in second Month next at 11 o'clk in the morning if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo. 3rd 1886

By the accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings except Rhode Island, the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island None
Greenwich Solomon R Knowles Gulielma Foeborn and Lydia A. Macomber
Swansey Elisabeth S Newton Saml. R Buffinton Herbert A Skinner Rachel P. Chace and Sarah C Skinner
Providence James Dennis Robert P Gifford Charlotte D. Holmes & Ellen K Buffum
So Kingstown Ruth Ann Collins Wm H. Perry & Elizabeth N. Perry, who are all present except three, satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings except R.I.

The following communication from R.I. Qtly Mtg. through its clerk was received, read & directed to be recorded viz

To R. I. Qtly Mtg.

Dear friends

In compliance with requirements of discipline you are hereby informed that R. I. Qtly Mtg of Friends held at Fall River 11th mo 5th 1885 united with So. Kingston Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Mary S. Collins & Elizabeth N. Perry to the Station of Elder. The required information has also been furnished the above named friends, And you are also informed that the aforesaid Qtly. Mtg. held as above united with Swansey Mo. Mtg. in releasing (upon his own request) Chas. G. Chace from the station of elder, The action of the Qtly Mtg. in the above case has also been furnished the individual

Signed by direction & on behalf of the aforesaid meeting

Saml. R Buffinton Clk

Rhode Island preparative Meeting on Ministry & oversight having twice omitted to send representatives or render any account to our meeting it was deemed best to lay this information before the Qtly Mtg. for its consideration and action in the matter.

Having brought the business of our Meeting to a harmonious close we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in the 5th mo next at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle. Clk,

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1886.

By the accounts received from each of our subordinate Meetings the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are from

Rhode Island Thos. B. Buffum
Greenwich Chas W Earle Solomon R. Knowles
Cynthia J Earle & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansea Nathan Chace Obadiah Chace
Esther Chace & Rebecca Anthony
Providence James Dennis Robert P Gifford
Ellen K Buffum & Phebe R Gifford
So Kingstown Anna A Gould George C Gould
Ruth Ann Collins & Peter H Collins
who are all present.

All the queries have been read in this Mtg. with the required answers to the usual three from each of our preparative meetings, a summary of which being selected & approved by the Mtg. the Clerk is directed to forward them with any other required information to the Yearly Mtg. of Friends for New England on Ministry & Oversight by the following named friends whom we appoint representatives thereto. viz Obadiah Chace Benjamin F. Knowles Ellen K. Buffum Elisabeth S. Newton Charlotte D Holmes Gulielma Freeborn Mary S. Buffinton Samuel R Buffinton Chas D Kenyon Robt. P Gifford Thos B Buffum & Electa Jane Collins

The following communication from Rhode Island Qutly Mtg. through its Clerk was received read & directed to be recorded, viz.

To the Meeting on Ministry & oversight of
Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

Dear friends

In compliance with the requirements of Discipline you are hereby informed that R. I. Qtly. Mtg. of Friends held at Providence 2nd Mo 4th 1886. united with Providence Mo. Mtg, in the appointment of Benjamin F. Knowles to the station of elder. The required information has also been furnished the individual

From the minutes of R. I. Qtly Mtg. held as above

Saml. R. Buffinton Clk

Having disposed of the business which claimed our consideration in harmony & love we conclude purposing to meet at Newport on 4th day before the Qtly Mtg. in the 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle clk.

The following was sent to the yearly Meeting viz.

To the yearly meeting of Friends for New England on Ministry & oversight to be held at Newport R. I. in the sixth mo. 1886.

Dear friends. The queries have all been read in this Mtg. with the required answers from each of our subordinate Mtgs. a summary of which being approved by the mtg. the clerk is directed to forward them with any other necessary information to the Yearly Mtg. by our representatives. All our Mtgs. have been regularly held during the past year

Our membership 3rd mo 1st 1886 comprised
21 Ministers 35 elders & 15 appointed Members.

Chas. W. Earle Clk.

Summary Answers to the Queries
Ans 1st
With little exception we are diligent in attending our Mtgs. for worship & discipline and careful to promote the attendance of our families

Ans 2nd
We are preserved in a good degree of unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong & we believe our labor together in gathering unto Christ is harmonious

Ans 3rd
We believe our members are engaged frequently in searching the Holy Scriptures seeking by the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit a right understanding of their Contents, Careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Names of the members of R. I. Qly Mtg. on ministry & oversight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1886

Ministers Levi Almy, Abner Potter jr, Annabella C. Winn
Thos. B. Buffum Mary A Gifford
Elders Geo. Anthony Josiah Chace Jacob Mott
Susanna Mott Hannah B Williams Elizabeth
H Potter Mary Dame for R. I. Mo. Mtg.

Greenwich Monthly Mtg.

Ministers Gulielma Freborn Lydia A Macomber
Cynthia J. Earle
Elders Solomon R. Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edwm Buffinton
Rhoda H Buffinton Mary Clapp Chas. J. Kenyon

Swansea

Ministers Obadiah Chase Henry C Aydelotte Rebecca
Anthony
Elders Joseph Estes Eunice E. do Sarah Slade Esther Chace
Saml R. Buffinton Nathan Chace Darius Buffinton
Elisabeth S. Newton Sarah C. Skinner
Members Benjamin A. Chace Herbert A. Skinner Rachel P.
Chace Phebe S. Aydelott Parthinia Underwood
Sarah E. Buffinton Mary S Buffinton Adeline
F Chace Sarah J. Macomber Hiram Buffinton

Providence

Ministers Huldah M. Beede Sarah K Reynolds Phebe R.
Charlotte D Holmes. Robt P. Gifford
Adelia C. Mann.
Elders James Dennis Anna T Dennis Sarah F Tobey
Hannah F. Peckham Thos Harkness
Members Thos J. Battey Daniel Meader Louisa N. Meader.
Ellen K Buffum

So. Kingstown

Ministers Edward W. Collins Wm H. Perry Harriett G.
Collins Electa Jane Collins
Elders Peter A Collins Ruth Ann Collins
Abel T Collins Geo S. Gould Annah Gould
Mary S Collins Elisabeth N Perry

At Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 4th 1886

The accounts received from our subordinate Meetings give the names of friends as representatives to this Meeting as follows viz from

R Island Annabella E. Winn Mary Dame and Thomas B. Buffum
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Cynthia J Earle and Solomon R. Knowles
Swansea Darius Buffinton Obadiah Chace Esther Chace & Sarah C Skinner
Providence Thos J. Battey James Dennis Phebe R Gifford & Ellen K Buffum
So. Kingston Elisabeth N. Perry & Wm H. Perry who are present except four (4) for the absence of three of these a satisfactory reason was given

The queries have all been read in this Mtg. with answers from each of our subordinate Meetings to the usual number

Tthe following communication from R.I. Qtly Mtg. through its clerk has been received, read & directed to be recorded, viz

To R. I. Qtly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & oversight-

Dear friends — You are hereby informed by the direction of R. I. Qtly. Mtg. of Men & women friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1886. an in accordan with discipline that, that meeting united with Rhode Island Mo. Mtg in the appointment of Susan H Almy and

Sarah Almy to the station of elder and in the appointment of Annie O Carr and Isaac B Macomber for two years as members of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight; And with Swansea Mo Mtg. in the appointment of Lemuel Chase to the station of elder the required information has also been furnished the above named friends From the minutes of R. I. Qly Mtg of Friends held at E. Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1886

Saml. R. Buffinton
Clerk

The business of our meeting being harmoniously concluded we purpose to meet at Fall River on 4th day before our Qly. Mtg. in the 11th mo next at three o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles W. Earle clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of "Friends" on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 3rd 1886.

By the written accounts received from each of our preparative meetings we find that the representatives to this meeting are from

R. Island Mary Alice Gifford
Greenwich Chas D. Kenyon Edward Buffinton
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J. Earle
Swansea Hiram Buffinton Rachel P. Chace
Rebecca Anthony & Lemuel Chace
Providence James Dennis Robert P. Gifford
Anna T. Dennis & Louisa N. Meader
So. Kingston Edward W. Collins Wm H. Perry and
Harriet D. Collins who are present except Six (6) for the absence of three of these a satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this meeting with answers to the usual number from each of our preparative meetings & also the advice following them.

The following communication from Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. through its clerk was received, read & directed to be recorded Viz.

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that at Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends held at Newport 8th mo 5th 1886 that Mtg. united with Swansea Monthly Mtg. in the appointment of Anna R. Chace as a member of the Mtg. on ministry & oversight. The required information

has also been furnished the above named friend
From the minutes of Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg.
of Friends held as above

Signed Saml. R. Buffinton clk.

A proposition was laid before the Mtg.
that the hour of convening at this place should
be changed from three (3) o'clock in the afternoon
to two (2) o'clock P.M. the same day, which is
fully united with, and the clerk is directed
to lay the above mentioned proposition before
the Qtly. Mtg. as follows

This meeting is united
in proposing that the hour of holding the
Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight at Fall
River on 4th day preceding the Qtly Mtg. in
the 11th mo at that place be changed from
3 o'clk P.M. to 2 o'clk of the same day

Having accomplished the business
that claimed our attention at this time
& with thanks to the Giver of all our sure
mercies for the abundant & pertinent counsel given
by concerned friends and desiring that we
may profit thereby, we conclude; purposing
to meet at Providence on 4th day before
our Qtly Mtg. at that place in the 2nd mo next
at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & oversight held at Providence
2nd mo. 2nd 1887.

The accounts received from our subordinate meetings (except R.I. from which no accounts has been received) give the names of friends as representatives to this meeting as follows viz from

Greenwich Charles W Earle Solomon R Knowles
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J Earle
Swansea Herbert A Skinner Esther Chace
Darius Buffinton & Sarah C Skinner
Providence Benjamin F Knowles James Dennis
Charlotte D. Holmes & Adelia C Mann
So. Kingston Wm H Perry Anna A Gould
and Elizabeth N. Perry who are all present; except two;-for one of these a satisfactory reason was given for being absent.

The term of service of the clerk of this meeting having expired, one of the representatives proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk for the year ensuing, which being united with by the meeting, he is accordingly appointed to that service.

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Meetings (except Rhode Island) also the advice following them

The following communication from R.I. Qrly. Mtg. through its Clerk was received read & directed to be recorded. viz

Dear friends

In compliance with requirements of discipline and the direction of R.I. Qrly Mtg. of Friends held at Fall River 11th mo 4th 1886 you are hereby informed that, that meeting united with Greenwich Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Mary E Kenyon to the Station of Elder and also in the appointment of Charles A. Chace as a member of the mtg. on ministry & oversight from Swansea Mo. Mtg. The required information has also been furnished the individuals

From the minutes & by direction of R.I. Qtly Mtg. of friends held as aforesaid

Signed

Samuel R Buffinton
Clerk

We have had an unusually interesting meeting which we feel has received a large share of the power of Him, who is the crown & diadem of all rightly gathered assemblies, and while we have feasted on fat things, we have been exhorted to gather up the fragments to take to our homes that nothing be lost. Under a realizing sense that Divine power has been over us we conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in 5th mo. next at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 4th 1887.

By written accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting viz

From R. I.

R Island Narcissa Jacob Wm Jacob & Annie C. Carr.
Greenwich Charles W. Earle Edward Buffinton
Mary Clapp & Lydia C. Macomber
Swansea Henry C. Aydelott Esther Chace
Phebe St. Aydelott Samuel R. Buffinton
Providence Benjamin F. Knowles Jane Dennis
Phebe R Gifford & Adelia C. Mann.
S. Kingston Edward W. Collins Wm H. Perry
Ruth Ann Collins & Harriet D. Collins, who are present except six (6) satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of four of these

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings a summary of which has been prepared and approved by the meeting:- the clerk is directed to forward them and any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Portland Maine in the 6th mo. next.

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year, We appoint Benjamin F. Knowles Wm Jacob Eliza Jane Collins Ellen K. Buffum Rebecca Anthony Robert P. Gifford & Samuel R. Buffinton representatives to the aforesaid meeting.

This meeting is united in proposing to the Quarterly Mtg. that the hour of holding the Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight at East Greenwich on 4th day preceding the Qtly Mtg. at that place in the 5th mo be changed from 3 o'clock P.M. to 2 o'clock of the same day.

Having concluded the business of the meeting in harmony, we purpose to meet at Newport in 8th mo. next on 6th day before the Qtly Mtg. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles. W. Earle clerk

The following account & answers to the queries were sent to the Y. Mtg. on M. & O. viz

To the Yearly Meeting of friends for New England on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends

Our membership 3rd mo 1st 1887 comprized 23 ministers 37 Elders & 18 other members

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our Subordinate Mtgs, a summary of which has been prepared, approved by the meeting & the clerk is directed to forward them and any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on ministry & oversight to be held at Portland Maine in the 6th mo. next, All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year We appoint Benjamin T. Knowles Wm Jacob Electa Jane Collins Ellen K. Buffum Rebecca Anthony Phebe R. Gifford & Saml R. Buffinton representatives to the aforesaid Yearly Mtg.

From the minutes of R.I. Qtly Mtg. on M. & O. held at East Greenwich 5th mo 4th 1887

Answers from R. I. Qtly. Mtg. 5th mo 4th /87

Ans. 1st Our members attend all our meetings diligently when circumstances admit & endeavor to promote the attendance of their families.

Ans 2nd With a little exception in three meetings, we are in unity one with another & with the Mtgs. to which we belong and our labor together in gathering unto Christ is generally harmonious

Ans 3rd We trust all our members are frequently engaged in searching the Holy Scriptures, seeking through the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit & by prayer a right understanding of their contents, generally careful not to misquote or misapply them

Names of the members of R. I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight - as revised 3rd mo 1st 1887

R. I. Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Abm Potter Jr. Annabella E Winn Thos B Buffum Mary A Gifford William Jacob, Narcissa Jacob,
Elders George Anthony Josiah Chace Susanna, Mott Hannah R Williams Elizabeth H Potter Mary Dame Susan H. Almy Sarah Almy
Members Annie O Carr Isaac B Macomber

Greenwich

Ministers Gulielma Fairborn Lydia A. Macomber & Cynthia [illegible]
Elders Solomon R. Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edward Buffinton
Rhoda H Buffinton Mary Clapp Chas. D. Kenyon
Mary. E. Kenyon

Swansey

Ministers Obadiah Chace Henry C Aydelott Rebecca
Anthony Phebe S. Aydelotte
Elders Joseph Estes Unice Estes Sarah Slade
Esther Chace, Saml. R. Buffinton, Nathan
Chace, Darius Buffinton Elisabeth S Newton
Sarah C Skinner Lemuel Chace
Members Benjamin A, Chace Herbert A, Skinner
Rachel P, Chace Parthenia Underwood
Sarah E, Buffinton Mary S Buffinton
Adeline F Chace Sarah J Macomber
Maria Earle Hiram Buffinton Anna R, Chace
Charles A, Chase

Providence

Ministers Huldah M. Beede Sarah K. Reynolds
Phebe R Gifford Charlotte D. Holmes Robert
P. Gifford Adelia C Mann
Elders James Dennis Anna T. Dennis Sarah F
Tobey Hannah F Peckham Thos. Harkness.
Benjamin F. Knowles
Members Thos, J. Battey Daniel Meader Louisa N Meader
Ellen K. Buffum

South Kingstown

Ministers Edward W Collins Wm. H. Perry Harriet
D Collins Electa Jane Collins
Elders Peter ~~H~~. Collins Ruth Ann Collins Geo. S. Gould
Anna A Gould Mary S Collins Elizabeth N. Perry

At Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo. 3rd 1887

By written accounts received from each of our subordinate Meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

R. Island George Anthony William Jacob
Rachel Anthony & Narcissa Jacob
Greenwich Charles W. Earle Lydia A. Macomber
and Gulielma Freeborn
Swansea Benjamin A. Chace Sarah E Buffinton Phebe S. Aydelotte Henry C Aydelotte & Rachel P. Chace
Providence Benjamin F. Knowles Thomas J. Battey
Phebe R. Gifford & Louisa W Meader
So. Kingston Edward W. Collins & Harriet D. Collins
who are present except four (4). for their absence satisfactory reasons were given.

The queries were all read in our meeting with the answers required from each of our subordinate meetings, the advice following them was also read

The following communication from R.I. Qtly Mtg through its clerk was received, read & directed to be recorded, viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & oversight.

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that at Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1887 that meeting united with Rhode Island Mo. Meeting in the appointment of William Holt John B. Cornell Rachel Anthony Mary A.

Sherman Anna B. Macomber Abbie A Macomber Ellwood G. Macomber George M Chace Lydia H Chace Mary W. Chace & John S Kimber. with Swansea Mo. meeting in the reappointment of Benjamin A. Chace Rachel P. Chace Herbert A Skinner Hiram Buffinton Sarah E. Buffinton Maria Earle Parthenia Underwood Sarah J Macomber Mary S. Buffinton & Adeline F Chace and with Providence Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Thomas J Battey Ellen H Buffum Robert B. Hanson Sarah J. Hanson Daniel Meader & Louisa R Meader as members of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight from their respective meetings for two years.
The required information of the action of the Quarterly Meeting has also been furnished the above named friends,

By direction of R.I. Qtly Mtg. of friends
held as above

Samuel R. Buffinton clerk

In conclusion we acknowledge our entire dependence upon thee our Almighty Father & Friend; and with grateful hearts do render thanksgiving and praise to Father Son & Holy Spirit for all our many blessings

We now adjourn to meet at Fall River in 11th mo next on 4th day before the Mly Mtg. at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 2nd 1887

By the written accounts received from our Subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

Rhode Island Anna Peckham Carr Narcissa Jacob
Ellwood G Macomber & John B Cornell
Greenwich Charles W. Earle Edward Buffinton
and Lydia A Macomber
Swansey Herbert A. Skinner Darius Buffinton
Parthenia Underwood Esther Chace
Elisabeth S. Newton & Hiram Buffinton
Providence Thos J. Battey Louisa N Meader
Ellen K Buffum & Daniel Meader
So Kingston Anna A Gould Wm. H Perry
and George S Gould who are all present except four satisfactory reasons were given for their absence

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate Meetings. - the advice following them was also read

The following information from R.I. Qtly Mtg. through its clerk was received, read & directed to be recorded viz

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that at Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 8th mo 4th 1887 that meeting united with Greenwich Mo-

Meeting in the appointment of Catharine Greene to the station of elder and the required information has also been furnished the above named friend

On behalf and by direction of the aforesaid meeting held as above

Saml. R. Buffinton clk.

Having with us at this time our dear friend Thos. W. Fisher from Dublin Yearly Meeting and other devoted servants of our Father in Heaven. – we feel drawn to record that we have been strengthened by their earnest words of council and cheered by their loving words of encouragement. As a consequence of the same our feelings have been enlivened in the cause of Christ and with grateful hearts we give God the praise for his goodness to us.

Having accomplished the business that claimed our attention, we conclude purposing to meet in Providence on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 2nd mo next at 11 o'clock in the morning if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Qtrly. Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 1st 1888

By the written accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

Rhode Island William Jacob Narcissa Jacob
John S. Kimber & Rachel Anthony
Greenwich Chas. D. Kenyon Solomon R Knowles
Catharine Greene Gulielma Freborn & Chas. W. Earle
Swansey Herbert A Skinner Rachel P. Chace Sarah C
Skinner Lemuel Chace & Henry C Aydelott
Providence Benjamin F Knowles Thos. J. Battey
Louisa N. Meader & Ellen K. Buffum
So Kingston Edward W. Collins & Harriet D Collins

who are all present except five, sufficient reasons were given for the absence of 3 of these

The term of service of the present clerk having expired, it was proposed that Charles W Earle be appointed clerk which being approved of by the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing

The queries were all read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings, the advice following them was also read

We have had a large and interesting Mtg. at this time wherein many prayers were offered desiring that the blessing of the Lord might rest upon us according to His own holy will. We have been led deeply into self examination by the precious testimony of our dear brother Jesse W. Wilmore from Kansas Yearly Meeting. May the Lord continue to bless him in the future as we feel that he has in the past, to the glory of His own Great Name

In conclusion we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle clk

At Rhode Island Qtly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1888.

By written accounts from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

hode Island Annie Manchester Wm H. Beale
Wm Jacob & Rachel Anthony
Greenwich Solomon R Knowles Catharine Greene
Chas. W. Earle & Lydia A. Macomber
Swansey Darius Buffinton Elisabeth S Newton
Samuel R Buffinton Henry C. Aydelotte
and Esther Chace
Providence Benjamin F Knowles Phebe R. Gifford
James Dennis & Anna T Dennis
So Kingstown Electa Jane Collins & Wm H Perry who are all present except three, for their absence satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings from which a summary has been selected and approved by the meeting which we forward to the yearly meeting on Ministry & Oversight next to be held

Newport. The advice following the queries was also read. All our meetings have been regularly held during the year

We appoint Wm. Jacob, Wm. H. Perry, Electa Jane Collins, Esther Chace Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Aydlotte, Ellen K. Buffum, Benjamin F. Knowles Annie Manchester Phebe R Gifford & Robert P. Gifford representatives to the yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held in Newport in 6th mo Next.

The following communication has been received from R. I. Qtly. Mtg. through its clerk. It was read and directed to be recorded viz

To R. I. Qtly. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Providence 2nd mo. 2nd 1888 united with a proposition from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting to add the following named friends from that meeting as members of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years in accordance with the provision of discipline in such appointments viz Mary W. Jones, Annie Manchester, Annie P. Carr, Maria L Corey, Robert C Wetherell, Chas E. Dore, Wm. H. Beale and Richard R. Macomber, and with Swansea Mo. Mtg. in adding as members to the same meeting for the same time Abby C Gifford Lydia Post Ann F. Chace and Peter L. Chace, all of whom have been informed of their appointment in accordance with the directions of the Qtly Mtg. and the requirements of the discipline

From the minutes of the aforesaid Qtly. Mtg. held as above- (signed) Samuel R. Buffinton clk.

We have had the acceptable company of several dear friends from other meetings at this time & their living gospel messages have aroused within us ardent desires that we may (in the ability which cometh from God) more faithfully perform the work of our Master whereunto we are called, in that humility which in a large measure becomes the demeanor of every true Christian.

In conclusion we purpose to meet at Newport on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in 8th mo. next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle, clerk.

The following account & answers to the queries were sent to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & oversight viz

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England on Ministry & Oversight.

Dear friends

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings a summary of which has been prepared approved by the meeting and directed to be forwarded with any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight,- to be held at Newport R. I. in the sixth month this year. All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year, We appoint Wm. Jacob, Wm H Perry, Electa Jane Collins, Esther Chace, Obadiah Chace, Phebe S. Aydlotte, Ellen K. Buffum, Benjamin F. Knowles Annie Manchester Phebe R Gifford & Robert P. Gifford representatives to the aforesaid meeting

Our membership 3rd mo 1st 1888 comprised 23 ministers 37 elders and 43 other members Total 103

Taken from the minutes of R.I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1888.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

Answers from R.I. Qtly Mtg. on M. & O. 5/2/88

Ans 1st With little exception we are diligent in attending our meetings for worship & discipline and careful to promote the attendance of our families

Ans 2nd We are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong harmoniously laboring together in gathering to Christ with a little exception in two Mtgs.

Ans 3rd We believe the Holy Scriptures are prayerfully searched by us in the spirit queried after and care is taken not to misquote or misapply them

Names of the Members of R.I. Qtly Mtg. on ministry & overoight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1888

R.I. Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Abner Potter Jr. Annabella E. Winn Thos. B. Buffum
Mary Alice Gifford Wm Jacob & Narcissa Jacob
Elders Geo Dec 4/9/88 Anthony Josiah Chace Susanna Mott Hannah B.
Williams, Elisabeth H Potter, Mary Dame,
Susan H Almy, Sarah Almy,
Members ~~Annie~~ O. Carr Isaac B. Macomber, Mary W Jones
for 2 yrs Annie Manchester Annie P Carr Maria L Corey
Robert C. Wetherell Chas E Dore Wm H. Beale,
Richard R. Macomber, Wm Holt, John B. Cornell,
Rachel Anthony Mary A Sherman Anna B.
Macomber Abbie A Macomber Ellwood G.
Macomber, Geo M. Chace, Lydia K. Chace
Mary W. Chace John S. Kimber

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Gulielma Freeborn, Lydia A Macomber, Cynthia
J Earle
Elders Solomon R Knowles Chas. W. Earle Edward
Buffinton Rhoda H. Buffinton Mary Clapp
Chas D. Kenyon, Mary E Kenyon, Catharine
Greene

Swansey Mo Mtg.

Ministers Obadiah Chace, H. C Aydelott Rebecca Anthony Phebe S.
Elders Aydelott. — Jos Estes Eunice Estes Sarah Slade Esther Chace
Saml R Buffinton Nathan Chace Darius Buffinton, Sarah
C Skinner Elisabeth S Newton Lemuel Chase
Members Benj. A Chace Herbert A. Skinner Rachel P Chace
for 2 yrs Parthenia Underwood Sarah E Buffinton Mary S Buffinton
Adaline F Chace Sarah J Macomber Maria Earle
Hiram Buffinton Chas A. Chace Anna R Chace Abby C
Gifford Lydia Post Ann F Chace Peter L Chace.

Providence Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Huldah M. Beede, Sarah K. Reynolds, Phebe R Gifford,
Charlotte D Holmes, Robt P Gifford, Adelia C Mann.
Elders Jas Dennis, Anna T Dennis, Sarah F Tobey,
Thos Harkness, Benj. F Knowles
Members Thos J. Battey, Daniel Meader, Louisa N. Meader,
for 2 yrs Ellen K. Buffum Robt & Sarah J Hanson

So. Kingston Mo Mtg.

Ministers Edwd W. Collins, Wm. H. Perry, Harriet D Collins
Electa J Collins
Elders Peter H Collins Ruth Ann Collins Geo. S. Gould
Anna A Gould Mary S Collins Elizabeth N. Perry

Membership 3-1-1888 23 ministers 37 Elders 43 other members
Total 103. members

At Rhode Island Qtly. Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 1st 1888

By written accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting viz from R. Island

R Island Wm H Beale Colin S Kimber
Annie L Manchester & Narcissa Jacob
Greenwich
Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn Cynthia J Earle
Chas. W. Earle & Edward Buffinton
Swansey Hiram Buffinton Sumner Chace
Sarah C Skinner Esther Chace & Herbert Skinner
Prov. Benjamin F Knowles Daniel Meader
Louisa N Meader & Phebe R. Gifford
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins Edward W Collins and
Harriet D Collins. who are all present except five (5) for the absence of three (3) of them satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers required from each of our subordinate Meetings

The advice following them was also read.

Having concluded the business of the mtg. we purpose to meet at Fall River on 4th day before our Qtly. Mtg. in the 11th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon, if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle clk

At Rhode Island Qly Mtg of Friends in Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 10th mo 31st 1888.

By written accounts from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatively from

R. Island Annie L. Manchester John B. Cornell
Wm H Beale. Narcissa Jacob & Wm Jacob.
Greenwich Solomon K Knowles Charles W. Earle
Gulielma Freeborn & Catharine Greene
Swansey Herbert A. Skinner Abby C Gifford
Parthenia Underwood & Charles A Chace
Providence Benjamin F. Knowles Daniel Meader
Louisa N Meader & Phebe R Gifford
S. Kingstown Harriet D Collins & William H Barry

who are all present except five, satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two of these

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of the meetings constituting this.

The advice following the queries was also read

Having harmoniously disposed of the business that came before the meeting, we now conclude proposing to meet in Providence in 2nd mo. next, on 4th day before the Qly Mtg, at 11 o'clk in the forenoon, if permitted so to do by that Master whom we desire to serve

Chas. W. Earle
Clk.

At Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2 mo 6th [illegible]

By written accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed to attend this Mtg. as their representatives. Viz from

R Island Abbie A Macomber Elwood S Macomber &
Annie L Manchester
Greenwich Chas H. Earle Cynthia J. Earle
Catharine Greene & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Herbert A Skinner Sarah C Skinner
Lydia Post Esther Chace Hiram
Buffinton & Samuel R Buffinton
Providence Benjamin F Knowles Thos J. Battey
Sarah J Hanson & Phebe R Gifford
So Kingston Anna A Gould William H Perry
Elizabeth N Perry & Harriet D. Collins who are all present except three, a satisfactory reason was given for the absence of one

The term of service of the present clerk having expired, it was proposed that Chas H. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the Mtg. he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing

The queries were all read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative Mtgs. The advice following them was also read

The following communication from R.I. Qtly Mtg. through its clerk, was received read & directed to be recorded. Viz.

To R.I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight
Dear friends
You are hereby

informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 8th mo 2nd united with Rhode Island Mo. Meeting in adding the name of Alice Almy as a member of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years. She also having been notified of the action of the Qtly Mtg. thereon in accordance with the direction of this Mtg.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the aforesaid Qtly Mtg.

Saml R Buffinton

Clerk

Having concluded the business of the Mtg. in a loving spirit, we wish also to record that we have been fed by the hand of the Good Shepherd, - that things new & old have been handed forth, which have renewed & enlarged our gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift. And we have also been encouraged to greater faithfulness in the work of the Lord, and we are ready to acknowledge that it hath been good for us to be here.

We purpose to meet again at East Greenwich in 5th mo. next on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas H. Earle Clk

At Rhode Island Qly Meeting of
Friends on Ministry & Oversight held
at East Greenwich 5th mo 1st 1869

By written accounts from each of our
subordinate meetings it appears that the
following named friends are appointed
representatives to this meeting by them

R Island Wm. Jacob. & Anna L. Manchester
Greenwich Mary Clapp Catharine Greene
Solomon R. Knowles & Chas W. Earle
Swansey Henry C Aydelotte Rebecca Anthony
Lemuel Chace & Phebe S. Aydelott
Prov. Benjamin F Knowles Phebe R Gifford
Louisa N Meader & Daniel Meader
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins Elisabeth N Perry and
William H. Perry who are all present.

The queries have all been read in our
meeting with the separate answers from
each of our preparative meetings, from which
a summary has been prepared and approved
by the Meeting which we forward to the
Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight
to be held at Portland Maine
The advice following the queries was also read
All our meetings have been regularly held
during the past year
We appoint Electa Jane Collins, Benjamin
F Knowles, Phebe R, Gifford, Catharine Greene,
Sarah J. Hanson, Phebe S. Aydelotte, Samuel
R Buffinton, Obadiah Chase Esther Chase,
Louisa N Meader & Robert C Gifford representatives
to the Yearly Mtg. on M & O. at Portland on the
6th month next

The following communication from R.I. Qly. Mtg. was received, read, directed to be recorded viz.

To R.I. Mo. Meeting on Ministry & Oversight—

Dear friends

Rhode Island Qly Mtg held at Providence 2nd mo 7th 1889 united with R.I. Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Isaac B. Macomber as a member of this meeting on M. & O. for two years in accordance with the provision of discipline upon that subject, & he has been informed of the action of this meeting thereon

On behalf of the aforesaid Qly. Mtg. held as above

Samuel R Buffington
Clerk

The following is a list of the members of this meeting 3rd mo 1st 1889

Rhode Island Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Abner Potter Jr, Annabella C Winn, Geo. B. Buffum, Mary Alice Gifford, Wm Jacob & Narcissa Jacob

Elders Josiah Chace, Susanna Mott, Hannah B Williams, Elisabeth H. Potter, Mary Dame, Susan H Almy & Sarah Almy,

Members for 2 years Isaac B. Macomber, Mary B. Jones, Anna P Carr, Anna L. Manchester, Maria L Corey, Robert C Wetherell, Chas E Dore, Wm H. Beale, Richard R Macomber, Wm. Hall, John B. Cornell, Rachel Anthony, Mary A Sherman, Anna R Macomber, Abbie A Macomber, Elwood G Macomber, Geo M Chace, Lydia K Chace, Mary W Macomber, John S Kimber & Abbie

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

3 Ministers Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A Macomber and
Cynthia J Earle

Elders Solomon R Knowles Charles W Earle
Edward Buffinton Rhoda H Buffinton
Mary Clapp Charles D Kenyon Mary
C Kenyon & Catharine Greene

Swansey Mo. Mtg.

4 Ministers Obadiah Chace, Hannah C. Aydelott
Rebecca Anthony & Phebe S. Aydelott

8 Elders Joseph Estes Eunice Estes, Esther Chace
Samuel R Buffinton Sarah C. Skinner
~~[illegible]~~ Elisabeth S. Newton Darius Buffinton
& Lemuel Chace

16 Members for 2 years Benjamin A Chace Herbert A. Skinner
Rachel C Chace Parthinia Underwood
Sarah E Buffinton Mary S Buffinton Abraham
F Chace, Sarah J Macomber Maria Earle Wm
Buffinton Chas H Chace Ann R Chace Abby
C Gifford Lydia Post Ann F Chace Albert Chace

Providence Mo. Mtg.

5 Ministers Huldah M Beede Phebe R Gifford, Charlotte
D. Holmes, Robert P. Gifford Adelia C. Mann

5 Elders James Dennis Anna F Dennis Sarah F Foley
Thomas Harkness & Benjamin F Knowles

6 members for 2 years Thomas J. Battey Daniel Meader Sarah
R Meader Ellen E Buffum Robert Ransom
& Sarah J Ransom

So. Kingston Mo Mtg.

Ministers Edward W Collins Wm R Foster Harriet D Collins
& Electa Jane Collins

Elders Peter H Collins Ruth Ann Collins, Geo. S. Gould & Ann
Mary E Collins & Elizabeth N Perry

We are united in appointing a Committee to enquire into the condition of our several meetings in accordance with those paragraphs of Discipline which relate to the duties of meetings on Ministry & Oversight.

We therefore appoint Wm Jacob Christie Chace Anna L. Manchester Esther Chace, Catharine Greene Robert P. Gifford Charles W Earle, Phebe R Gifford & Sarah Jane Collins a Committee for this purpose & to report such action as they may deem best at our next Meeting

Having concluded the business of the meeting harmoniously. we purpose to meet at Newport on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in the 8th mo next at 2 oclk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle Clk

The necessary parts of the foregoing minutes with the following summary answers to the queries have been forwarded to the Clerk of the Y. M. on M & O.

Ans 1st Our members are generally attenders of meetings for worship & encourage the attendance of their families. The same cannot always be reported in regard to meetings for business

Ans 2nd With little exception we are in unity with each other & with the meetings to which we belong & our labor together in gathering unto Christ is generally harmonious

Ans 3rd We are diligent in searching the Holy Scriptures seeking we believe by the enlightening influences of the Holy Spirit a right understanding of their contents careful not to misquote or misapply them

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 7th mo 31st 1889

By written accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings, except Greenwich & South Kingston it appears that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as representatives namely from

R. Island Anna L Manchester, Narcissa Jacob and William Jacob.
Swansey Hiram Buffinton Rebecca Anthony Darius Buffinton & Sarah E. Buffinton
Prov. Benjamin F Knowles Joseph H. Atwater Louisa N. Meader & Sarah C Hanson who are all present except one

The queries have all been read in the meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings except Greenwich & South Kingston
The advice following the queries was also read
The following communication from Rhode Island Quarterly meeting through its clerk was received, read, & directed to be recorded. viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight
Dear friends
You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1889. United with Providence Mo. Meeting in acknowledging

the gift and approving the public ministry of Joseph H Atwater & Robert B Hanson and also in the appointment of Ellen R. Buffum and Sarah J. Hanson to the station of Elder: they also united in the appointment of the following named friends as members of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight Viz Elwood G. Macomber, Mary W. Macomber, Mary A. Sherman, George Mason Chace Lydia R. Chace, John S. Kimber, Mary E. Kimber, John B Cornell, Robert Witherell Nelson R Reed, Hannah C. Borden, Maria L Cory William Holt Isaac B. Macomber Abbie A Macomber, Mary Malissa Clark Benjamin Greene & Joseph E. Macomber from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting. — Herbert A. Skinner, Hiram Buffinton, Benjamin A Chace, Rachel P Chace, Sarah E. Buffinton, Parthenia Underwood, Maria Earle, Abby C Gifford, Mary L Buffinton, Anna R Chace, Chas A Chace, Adeline F Chace, Lydia Post, Sarah J. Macomber and Ann F Chace from Swansea and Thomas B Battey, M Augusta Battey Daniel Meader Louisa H. Meader John Meader, Susan Peckham and Mary W. Collins, from Providence Mo. Meeting. — The required information ha been furnished the above named individuals in accordance with discipline and the direction of the Quarterly Meeting.

From the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held as aforesaid

Samuel R Buffinton, cler

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, "Report" They all attended.

The Committee appointed at our meeting in 5th month last to consider the matter referred to them, make the following report:- Viz

To the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight next to be held at Newport.

The Committee appointed in 5th month last have considered the matters referred to them and we believe that our preparative Meetings on Ministry & Oversight should be held at such times & places as will give opportunity for consideration of all matters brought before them, and they are encouraged to take such action as to them may seem best in carrying out the recommendations of our discipline relating to the duties of these meetings

On behalf of the Committee
Robert P. Gifford
Electa Jane Collins

Newport R.I. 7th mo. 31st 1889.

which is accepted and the Clerk of this Mtg. is directed to furnish a copy of the same to each of our Preparative Meetings on Ministry & Oversight and their clerks are hereby requested to have all their members know its Contents.

Our business being concluded we purpose to meet again on 4th day before our Qtly. Mtg. in the 11th mo. next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. H. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1889.

By written accounts received from each of our preparative mtgs we are informed that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting namely from

R. Island Mary Sherman Anna L. Manchester
William Jacob. & Narcissa Jacob
Greenwich Charles W. Earle Catharine Greene
and Cynthia J. Earle
Swansey Lemuel Chace Abby C. Gifford
Rachel P. Chace & Benjamin W. Chace
Providence Benjamin F. Knowles Sarah J. Hanson
Louisa W. Meader & Robt P. Gifford
So. Kingston William H. Perry & Elisabeth N. Perry who are all present except two. satisfactory reasons were given for their absence

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings. The advice following them was also read.

The following communication from R. I. Qly. Mtg. was received, read & directed to be recorded viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & oversight:

Dear Friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Newport 8th mo. 1st 1889. That meeting unawith Providence Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Louisa N. Meader to the Station of Elder & with Swansea Mo. Meeting in the adding of the name of Charles Estes as a member of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years.

From the minutes of the aforesaid Meeting
Saml R Buffinton
Clerk

We desire to acknowledge the goodness of our Heavenly Father in turning the feet of several of His qualified & annointed ministers to this place, whose earnest words have cheered us & also strengthened our zeal to work with greater eagerness for the salvation of lost souls.

We now conclude purposing to meet in Providence on 4th day before our Qlty. Mtg. in 2nd mo. next at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
of Friends on Ministry & Oversight
held at Providence 2nd mo 5th 1890

By written accounts from each of our
preparative meetings we are informed that
the following named friends are appointed
representatives to this meeting viz. from
R Island Anna W. Manchester & [illegible]
Greenwich Catharine Greene Charles W. Earle
Gulielma Freeborn & Cynthia J Earle
Swansey Phebe S Aydelott Esther Chace
Henry C Aydelott Obadiah Chace
Lemuel Chace & Sarah E Buffinton
Providence Sarah J Hanson Robert B Hanson
Thomas J Battey & Louisa R. Meader
So Kingston George S. Gould Anna A Gould
and William H Perry who are
present except two.

The term of service of the
present clerk having expired it was
proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed
clerk which being approved by the meeting
he is accordingly appointed to that service
for one year

The queries have all been read with the
required answers from each of our prepara-
tive meetings. The advice following was also read

No further business claiming our attention
at this time, we purpose to meet again at
Greenwich in 6th mo next on 4th day before
the Qly Mtg. at 3 o'ck in the afternoon
if the Lord permit.

Charles W Earle

At Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 4th mo 30th 1890

By written accounts from each of our preparative meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

R. Island William Jacob & Anna L. Manchester
Greenwich Mary Clapp Lydia A. Macomber
Harriet A. Shove Solomon R. Knowles
and Charles D. Kenyon
Swansey Amos M Kenworthy Henry C. Aydelotte
Rebecca Anthony Esther Chace
Lemuel Chace & Darius Buffinton
Prov Robert P. Gifford M Augusta Bailey
Louisa N Meader & Joseph H Atwater
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins Elizabeth R Perry
William H Perry & George S Gould
who are present except three (3) sufficient reasons were given for their absence

The queries were all read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings from which a summary has been selected and approved by the meeting, which we forward with all other necessary information by the representatives named hereafter to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight next to be held at Newport in the 6th mo. 1890.

The advice following the queries were also read

We appoint the following named friends as representatives to the ensuing Yearly Mtg. viz William H. Perry Electa Jane Collins Phebe R Gifford Joseph H. Atwater Phebe S [illegible] Anna L. Manchester Sarah J Hanson Rebecca Anthony Harriet A Shove Susan Peckham and M Augusta Batty

All our meetings have been held regularly during the past year

The following information from Rhode Island Qrly. Mtg. through its clerk has been received, read & directed to be recorded viz.

To Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that "Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends" held at Providence 2nd mo 6th 1890 united with Greenwich Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Harriet A. Shove and John R Godfrey to the station of elder The above information has been furnished the friends above named At the same time the Qtly Mtg united with Rhode Island Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Anna L. Manchester William Beale Anna P Carr. Richard R. Macomber Charles E Dove Anna B. Macomber & Mary H. Jones as members of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years. This information has been furnished to that monthly Meeting

By direction & on behalf of the aforesaid Quarterly Meeting

Saml R Buffinton
Clerk

The necessary parts of the foregoing minutes with the following summary answers to the queries are to be forwarded to the clerk of the Yearly Mtg. on M. & O.

Ans 1st Our members generally attend meetings for worship & encourage the attendance of their families; meetings for business not so well attended, with some exception in two of our meetings.

Ans 2nd With a little exception in two meetings we are in unity one with another & with the meetings to which we belong harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ.

Ans 3rd We believe our members are frequently engaged in searching the Holy Scriptures in the prayerful spirit desired after & careful not to misquote or misapply them

Names of the members of Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings on Ministry & Oversight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1890.

R. I. Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Abner Potter Jr. Annabella C Winn Thomas
5 B. Buffum William Jacob Narcissa Jacob

Elders 7 Josiah Chace Susanna Mott Hannah
B. Williams Elisabeth H. Potter Mary Dame
Susan H. Almy and Sarah Almy.
associate Members 27 Annie P. Carr Isaac B. Macomber Mary W. Jones
Anna S. Manchester Maria L Corey, Robert
C. Wetherell Charles E. Dore William H. Borden
Robert R Macomber William Holt. John B Cornell
Rachel Anthony Mary A. Sherman Anna B.
Macomber Abbie A. Macomber Ellwood G.
George Mason Chace Lydia R. Chace Mary H.
Macomber John S. Kimber Mary E. Kimber
Alice Almy Benj. Greene Joseph E. Macomber
Hannah C Borden M Melissa Clark
Nelson R. Reed

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 3 Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber
and Cynthia J. Earle
Elders 10 Solomon R Knowles Charles W. Earle
Edward Buffinton Rhoda H Buffinton
Mary Clapp Charles D Kenyon Mary E.
Kenyon and Catharine Greene
John R Godfrey + Harriet A. Shove

Swansey Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 5 Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelott Rebecca
Anthony Phebe S. Aydelotte Amos M. Kenworthy
Elders 7 Eunice Estes Esther Chace Samuel R Buffinton
Sarah C. Skinner Elisabeth S Newton Darius
Buffinton and Lemuel Chace
members 16 Benjamin A Chace Herbert A Skinner Rachel
C Chace Parthenia Underwood Sarah E. Buffinton
Mary S. Buffinton Adeline F. Chace Maria Earle
Sarah J. Macomber Hiram Buffinton Charles A
Chace Anna R Chace Abby C Gifford Lydia [illegible]
Ann F Chace and Chas Estes.

Providence Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 6 [illegible] M. Beede Phebe R Gifford Robert P. Gifford Adelia C Mann Joseph H. Atwater and Robert B. Hanson

Elders 7 Anna T Dennis Sarah F Tobey Thos. Harkness. Benj. F Knowles Louisa N Meader Ellen R Buffum and Sarah J Hanson

Members 6 Thos. J Battey Daniel Meader M Augusta Battey John Meader Susan Peckham and Mary W. Collins

South Kingstown Mo Mtg.

Ministers 4 Edward W. Collins William H. Perry Harriet D Collins & Electa Jane Collins

Elders 6 Peter H Collins Ruth Ann Collins George S Gould Anna A Gould Mary S Collins and Elisabeth N Perry.

Our business being harmoniously concluded we purpose to meet again at Newport on 4th day before our Qly. Mtg. in the 8th mo. at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo. 6th 1890.

By written accounts from each of our preparative meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting viz from Rhode Island
Benjamin Greene Anna L Manchester
Mary E Kimber & John B Cornell
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Catharine Fry & Cynthia J Earle
Swansey Samuel Chace Esther Chace Saml R Buffinton
Rebecca Anthony Henry C Aydelott & Chas. A. Chace
Providence Robert B Hanson Louisa N Meader
Ellen K Buffum & Daniel Meader.
So Kingstown William H. Perry & George S. Gould
who are present except four.

The queries were all read in this meeting with answers from each of our Subordinate meetings.
The advice following them was also read

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Mtg. report that all attended

No further business claiming the attention of the meeting, we conclude purposing to meet again on 4th day before our Quarterly Mtg. in the 11th mo. at Fall River at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 5th 1890.

By accounts received from each of our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

R. Island Anna B. Macomber John B. Cornell
Anna L. Manchester & Joseph E. Macomber
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Lydia A. Macomber Gulielma
Freeborn Catharine Greene & Cynthia J. Earle.
Swansey Charles Estes Parthenia Underwood
Rachel P. Chace and Obadiah Chace
Prov. Robert P. Gifford Daniel Meader
Phebe R. Gifford & Sarah J. Hanson
So Kingston Wm H. Perry who are all present except two.

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The advice following them was also read.

The business brought before us being finished we conclude proposing to meet in Providence on 4th day before the Qly Mg in 2nd mo next at 11 o'clk in the forenoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle
clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 4th 1891

We have received from each of our preparative meetings the information that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to attend this meeting, viz from

R Island — Robert Witherell Thomas B. Buffum Joseph E. Macomber & Anna B. Macomber

Greenwich — Charles W. Earle Gulielma Freeborn Harriet A. Shove Joseph Anthony & Cynthia J. Earle

Swansey — James Buffinton Sarah M. Davis Charles Estes Sarah C. Skinner Phebe S. Aydelott & Obadiah Chace

Providence — Louisa R. Meader Thomas J. Battey Ellen R. Buffum & John H. Meader

So. Kingstown — Anna A. Gould George S. Gould and Wm. H. Perry who are all present, except five, for the absence of three of these satisfactory reasons were given

The term of service of the former clerk having expired it was proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the meeting he is appointed to that service for one year

The queries have all been read with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings

The advices following them was also read

The following information from Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. sent by its clerk to this meeting was read and directed to be recorded viz

To Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. held at Newport R.I. 8mo 7th 1890 united with Swansea Mo. Mtg. in the acknowledgement of the gift and approving the public ministry of Sarah M. Orvis The above information has been furnished her and the further requirements of Discipline will be complied with at the proper time

By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting

Samuel R. Buffinton clerk

Also that R.I. Qtly. Mtg. of Mins. held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1890. united with Greenwich Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Mary Arnold & Joseph Anthony to the Station of Elders & with Providence Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of John H. Mason to the same station the above information has been furnished the friends above named

By direction & on behalf of the aforesaid meeting

Saml. R. Buffinton clerk

The business that came before us being harmoniously finished we conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich in 5th mo next on 6th day before the Qtly. Mtg. at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles H. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Qly. Mtg. of Frds. on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1891.

By accounts received from our several subordinate meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting, viz

Rhode Isd. Anna L. Manchester & Joseph E. Macomber
Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn Chas. W. Earle Cynthia J. Earle
Joseph Anthony and Catharine Greene
Swanzey Esther Chace Rebecca Anthony Chas. Estes
Orins Buffinton and Obadiah Chace
Providence Joseph H. Aberton Louisa N. Meader
Sarah J Hanson & Daniel Meader
So. Kingston William H. Perry & Elizabeth N. Perry who are present except three reasons were given for the absence of two of these

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the required answers from each of the preparative meetings from which a summary has been prepared and approved by the meeting. The clerk is requested to forward them and any other important information to the Yearly meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held in Portland Maine in the sixth month of this year by the representatives appointed by this meeting to attend said Yearly meeting namely Obadiah Chace Charles W. Earle Henry C. Aydelott Daniel Meader Samuel R. Buffinton Catharine Greene Phebe R. Gifford Sarah J. Hanson Cynthia J. Earle Phebe S. Aydelott Robert B. Hanson Louisa N. Meader and Esther Chace

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.

This meeting is united in proposing to the Qtly. Mtg. that the hour of holding the Qtly Mtg. on Ministry and Oversight at Providence be changed from 11 o'clk A.M. to 2 o'clk P.M. of the same day

The following information from R.I. Qtly Mtg. was read and directed to be recorded viz

To R.I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight
Dear Friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends held at Providence 2nd mo 5th 187[illegible] united with Greenwich Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Effie Clark as an associate member of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years. The above information has been furnished her
By direction & on behalf of the aforesaid Qtly Mtg.
Saml R. Buffinton clerk

We have had with us at this time several dear friends from other Qtly Mtgs. whose company and encouraging words have been strengthening and edifying to us. May all the praise be given to Him, to whom it is now and ever due.

Having harmoniously brought to a close the business that has been laid before us, we conclude purposing to convene at Newport on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in 8th mo. next. at 3 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas W. Earle clk

The necessary parts of the foregoing minutes
with the following summary answers to the
queries are to be forwarded to the clerk of the
Yearly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight.

Ans 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings
for worship & discipline and are careful to
promote the attendance of our families

Ans 2nd We are in unity with one another and
the meetings to which we belong laboring
in harmony to gather unto Christ

Ans 3 We are engaged in searching the
Holy Scriptures in the prayerful spirit
queried after, and careful not to
misquote or misapply them

Names of the members of Rhode Island
Qly. Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight as revised
5th mo 1st 1891.

Rhode Island Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 5 Abner Potter Jr. Annabella E. [illegible]
Thomas H. Buffum Wm. Jacob & [illegible] Jacob
Elders 6 [illegible] Hannah B. Williams Elizabeth
H. Allen [illegible] Susan H. [illegible] & Sarah [illegible]
Associate 22. members, Isaac B Macomber Mary W. Jones Anna
L. Macomber Fannie L. Corey Robert C. [illegible]
Wm. H. Beale Richard R. Macomber John B. Cornell
Mary A. Sherman Anna B. Macomber Abbie A.
Macomber Edmund G. Macomber Geo. M. Chace
Lydia K. Chace Mary W Macomber John S Kimber
Benj. Greene Mary E. Kimber Joseph E. Macomber
Hannah C Borden M. Melissa Clark and
Helen R. [illegible]

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 3 Gulielma Freeborn, Lydia A Macomber and
Cynthia J. Earle
Elders 7 Charles N. Earle Rhoda S Buffinton Mary Clapp
Catharine Greene Harriet A Shove Joseph Anthony
and Mary Arnold

Swansey Mo Mtg.

Ministers 5 Obadiah Chace Henry C Aydlotte Rebecca
Anthony Phebe S. Aydlotte & Sarah J. Davis
Elders 7 Eunice Estes Easton Chace Samuel R. Buffinton
Sarah C Skinner Elizabeth S. Newton David
Buffinton & Samuel Chace
Associate Members 17 Benjamin A Chace Herbert A Skinner Rachel
P. Chace Parthenia Underwood Sarah E. Buffinton
Mary S Buffinton Adeline F Chace Sarah J.
Macomber Maria Earle Hiram Buffinton Charles
N. Chace Anna R Chace Abby E Gifford
Lydia Post Ann F. Chace Charles Estes and
Effie Fleck

Providence Mo Mtg.

Ministers 6 Huldah M. Bede Phebe R. Gifford Robt P.
Gifford Adelia C. Mann Joseph H Atwater
and Robert B. Hanson
Elders 10 Anna F. Dennis Sarah R. Tobey Thomas
Harkness Louisa N. Meader Ellen R. Buffum
Sarah J. Hanson Charles D. Kenyon Mary E. R.
Kenyon Daniel Meader
Associate Members 4 Thos J. Battey M. Augusta Battey Susan Peckham Mary W. Collins

So. Kingston Mo. Mtg.

Ministers Wm H. Perry Harriet D Collins C Jane Collins
Elders 5 Peter H. Collins George S Gould Anna A.
Gould Mary S. Collins Elizabeth H. Perry

Total 100 members

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
of Friends held at Portsmouth (in [illegible]
& [illegible]) 8th mo. 5th 1871

By written accounts from each of our preparative meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting viz from Rhode Island

R. I. Anna L. Manchester John B Cornell and Anna B Macomber

Greenwich Charles W. Earle Cynthia J. Earle

Swansey P. Mayhew Brown & Joseph Anthony Susan Buffinton Sarah C. Skinner Ezra Chace Herbert A. Skinner & Obadiah Chace

Providence Robert B. Hanson Thomas Chace Ellen K Buffum & Elizabeth A Gifford

So. Kingston William H Perry & Harriet D Collins who were present except four. Sufficient reasons were given for the absence of 2 of these

The queries were all read in this meeting with answers as usual from each of our subordinate meetings

The advice following the queries was read

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, "Report" They all attended

— No further business claiming the attention of the meeting we conclude proposing to meet again on 4th day before the Quarterly meeting in the 11th mo next at Fall River at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Earle Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 4th 1891

By written accounts from each of our Preparative Meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting [illegible]

R. Island — Eunice Green, Maria L. Manchester, Isaac B. Manchester & Wm. H. [illegible]

Greenwich — Gulielma Freeborn, Cynthia J. Earle, Joseph Anthony & Catharine Green

[illegible] — Lemuel Chace, Chas Estes, Rebecca Anthony, Rachel P. [illegible] and [illegible] A. Chace.

Providence — Elizabeth A. Gifford, Abby W. Gifford, Robert C. Gifford & Robert W. [illegible]

S. Kingston — Harriet D. Collins who [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a satisfactory reason was given for the absence of one of these

The queries have all been read with answers as required from each of our preparative meetings. The advice following them was also read.

Having transacted the business that came before the meeting we conclude purposing to meet at Providence in the 2nd mo. 1892 on 4th day before our Qtly. Mtg. at that place at 2 o'clock in the afternoon if permitted to do so by our Father whom we desire to serve.

Charles W. Earle

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
of [illegible] held
at Providence 2nd mo. 3rd 1892

By written accounts from each of
our Preparative meetings except Rhode
[illegible] that the following
[illegible] appointed
representatives to this meeting viz:

Rhode Island

Greenwich Harriet A. Shove Antoinette Freeman
Chas. W. Earle & Joseph Anthony
Somerset Chas. A. Chace Phebe S. Aydelott
Esther Chace & Saml. R. Buffinton
Prov. Adelia C. Mann Sarah F. Hanson
Jos. F. Batley and Daniel Meader
[illegible] Peter H. Collins & Harriet D. Collins
who are all present except two (2)
satisfactory reasons were given for their absence

The term of service of the clerk having
expired it was proposed that Chas. W. Earle
be appointed clerk which being approved by
the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that
service for one year. The queries have all
been read in this meeting with the required
answers from each of our subordinate meetings
[illegible]
queries & the Duties of Mtgs. on ministry and
Oversight were also read
The business of our meeting having been satis-
factorily finished. we conclude purposing to meet
at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly
meeting in the 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the after-
[illegible] Chas. W. Earle Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 4th 1892.

By accounts received from our several preparative meetings we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting viz from

R. Island Joseph E. Macomber John B. Cornell Laura Orswell.
Greenwich Charles W. Earle Joseph Anthony Cynthia J. Earle & Mary C. Arnold
Swansey Darius Buffinton Phebe S. Aydelott Henry C. Aydelotte & Charles A. Chace
Prov Robert B. Hanson Ellen K. Buffum Thomas Chase Daniel Meader and Susan Peckham
Kingston Electa Jane Collins Anna B. Gould.
and George S. Gould who are present except seven for the absence of four of whom sufficient reasons were assigned

The clerk being absent on account of illness Robert P. Gifford was appointed Clerk for the day.

The queries and advice have all been read as usual with the required answers from our preparative meetings a summary from which has been prepared and approved by the meeting The clerk is directed to forward them and any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Newport in the sixth month next

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint Joseph H. Atwater Robert P Gifford Phebe R Gifford Samuel R. Griffin Sarah R. [illegible] Susan Peckham Catharine Greene Anna A. Gould Mary C. Arnold Electa Jane Collins Thomas Chase & Daniel Meader are appointed to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting

This meeting is united in requesting our Yearly Meeting to make such change in our discipline as will require the answers to our queries to be returned in writing but once in the year - at the Quarterly Meeting preceding the Yearly Meeting

The business and matters of concern that have engaged our attention being finished in harmony we conclude purposing to meet at Newport on 4th day preceding our Quarterly meeting in the 8th mo. at 2 o'clk if the Lord permit

Robert P. Gifford
Clerk for the day

The necessary part of the foregoing minute with the following answers to the queries are to be forwarded to the clerk of the Yearly meeting on M. & O. also our memberships

Ans. 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and careful to promote the attendance of our families: with some exception reported from one preparative Mtg.

Ans 2nd Unity with each other and with the meetings to which we belong is in a good degree maintained, and our labor together in gathering unto Christ is generally harmonious

Ans 3rd We believe all are engaged in frequently searching the Holy Scriptures, prayerfully seeking a right understanding of their contents under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit and careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Names of the members of R.I. Qtly. Mtg. on Ministry and Oversight - as revised 3rd mo 1st 1892

R.I. Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 4 — Thomas Potter Jr. [illegible] B. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Elders 4 — Susanna [illegible] Elizabeth R. Potter Sarah H. [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]

Associate members 3 — Winfield S. [illegible] [illegible] B. [illegible] and [illegible] H. [illegible]

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

Ministers | Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber and Cynthia J. Earle

[illegible] | [illegible] Rhoda H. Buffinton [illegible] Catharine Greene Harriet A Shaw [illegible] Anthony and Mary C. Arnold

Swansey Mo. Mtg.

Ministers | Amanda Chace Mary C. Aydelott Rebecca Anthony Phebe S. Aydelott and Sarah M. Orvis

Elders | Eunice Estes Esther Chace Samuel R. Buffinton Sarah C Skinner Elisabeth S Newton Darius Buffinton and Lemuel Chace

Associate members | Benjamin A Chace Herbert A. Skinner Rachel P. Chace Parthenia Underwood Sarah E. Buffinton Mary S. Buffinton Adaline F. Chace [illegible] Macomber Maria Earle Charles A Chace Anna R. Chace Abby C. Gifford Lydia Post Ann F. Chace [illegible]

[illegible] Mo. Mtg.

Ministers | [illegible] Phebe H. Gifford [illegible] Gifford Adelia C. Mann Joseph H. Atwater and Robert B. Hanson

Elders 11 | Anna T. Dennis Sarah F. Tobey Louisa A. Meader Ellen [illegible] Susan J. [illegible] Charles D. Kenyon Mary E. R. Kenyon Daniel Meader John H Meader Thomas Chace and Thomas J. Battey

Associate members | M. Augusta Battey Susan Peckham [illegible] Austin [illegible] H. Meader and Elizabeth A. [illegible]

S. Kingston Mo. Mtg.,

ingston William H. Perry Harriet T. Collins and Electa Jane Collins

Elders Peter H. Collins George S. Gould Anna A Gould, Mary S Collins and Elisabeth N Perry

Total 80.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo. 3rd, 1872.

By written accounts from each of our preparative meetings except Rhode Island we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz. from

reenwich Chas. W. Davis, Joseph Anthony, Mary C Arnold Cynthia J. Cook & Harriet Shaw

Swansey Rachel P. Chace Phebe S Aydelott Henry C Aydelott Benjamin A Chace & Saml. R. Buffinton

rovidence Elizabeth A Gifford Louisa N. Meader, Daniel Meader, & Robert Hanson

Kingston Electa Jane Collins Mary S Collins and Peter H. Collins who are present except four (4) satisfactory reasons were given for their absence

The representatives appointed at our last Mtg. to attend the Yearly Mtg. "report" That all attended.

The queries have all been read with answers as usual from each of our preparative Mtgs. except Rhode Island. The minute following them was also read.

Having now finished the business that
came before the meeting in harmony we conclude
purposing to meet at Fall River on 4th day
before our Qtly Mtg, in the 11th mo. next at
2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit—

Chas F. Earle
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
of Friends on Ministry and Oversight
held at Fall River 11th mo 2nd 1892

By accounts received from each of our
preparative meetings we are informed
that the following named friends are
appointed to attend this meeting as their
representatives, viz from

Rhode Island Thomas B. Buffum Eunice B. Greene
and Ruth Wetherell
[illegible] Chas W Earle, Cynthia J Earle Catharine Greene
Joseph Anthony & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansey Herbert A. Skinner, Rebecca Anthony, Esther
Chace, Darius Buffinton & Benj A. Chace
Providence Sarah J Hanson, Robert B Hanson,
Daniel Meader & Phebe R. Gifford
So. Kingstown William H Perry & Elizabeth N. Perry

who are present except four (4) a satisfactory
reason was given for the absence of one of these

The queries have all been read also the
advice following them

After the disposition of the business
that came from our subordinate meetings
we were introduced into a lively exercise

of Spirit, and many earnest words were offered which we desire may aid in our further work for the church and also enable us to work more effectively in winning souls to Christ, under the direction and guidance of the Great Head of the church.

Charles W. Earle clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 1st 1893

By accounts received from each of our preparative meetings we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

Rhode Island Thos B Buffum & Eunice A. Greene
Greenwich Chas W Earle Gulielma Freeborn
Harriet A Shove & Catharine [illegible]
Swansey Saml R Buffinton Esther Chace
Phebe S. Aydlotte & Charles A Chace
Prov Sarah J Hanson M Augusta Battey
Saml Austin & Joseph H Atwater
So Kingstown William H. Perry & Elisabeth N. Perry who are

present except four: sufficient reasons were given for the absence of three. The term of service of the clerk having expired, it was proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk, which being approved by the meeting, he is appointed to that service for one year. The queries have all been read also the advice following them

The business of the meeting being harmoniously concluded we purpose to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Qutly Mtg. in 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Charles W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of
Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East
Greenwich 5th mo 3rd 1893

By the accounts presented from our several preparative meetings it appears the following named friends are representatives to this meeting viz. from

R Island Susanna Mott & Eunice A Greene
Greenwich Lydia A. Macomber Cynthia J Earle
Harriet A Shove Chas W Earle & Joseph Anthony
Swansea Esther Chace Phebe S Aydelott
Obadiah Chace & Charles A. Chace
Prov M. Augusta Batten Hannah P Ladd
Robert B Hanson & Daniel Meader
So Kingston Peter H Collins & Harriet D Collins

who are present except four sufficient reasons were given for their absence

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings, from which a summary has been prepared and approved by the meeting. We forward them and other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight next to be held in Portland Maine

The advice following the queries was also read

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint Henry C Aydelott Susan Peckham Cynthia J Earle Joseph H. Atwater Robert P. Gifford Adaline F Chace Sarah J. Hanson Harriet D. Collins Eunice A. Greene Daniel Meader & Louisa N. Meader representatives to the aforesaid meeting

The following information from R. I. Qtly. Mtg. was read and directed to be recorded. viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting
on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Qtly. Mtg. of Men & women friends held at Providence 2nd mo 2nd 1893 united with Providence Monthly meeting in the appointment of Hannah [illegible] Shedd to the station of elder and with the same meeting in the appointment & reappointment of the following named friends as associate members of the meetings on ministry and Oversight for two years viz. Samuel Austin M Augusta Batty Anna A Meader Susan Peckham Elizabeth A Gifford, S Caroline Tobey, Elisabeth C Capron Asenath Tobey and Ellen M. Atwater. The above information has been furnished the above friends in accordance with discipline and the direction of the Qtly. Mtg.

(Signed)

On behalf of R. I. Qtly Mtg held as aforesaid

Samuel R Buffinton
Clk.

Having harmoniously finished the business that has been brought before us we conclude purposing to convene at Newport on 4th day before the Qtly Mtg. in 8th mo next at 2 o'clock in the after noon if the Lord permit

Chas W. Curtis Clk.

The following communication was forwarded to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends,

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from our several preparative Mtgs. a summary of which has been prepared & approved by the Meeting and directed to be forwarded with any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Portland Maine in sixth month next. All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint Henry C. Bartlett, Susan Peckham, Cynthia J. Earle, Joseph H. Atwater, Robert P. Gifford, Adaline F. Chace, Sarah J. Hanson, Harriet D. Collins, Eunice A. Greene Daniel Meader & Louisa A. Meader representatives to the aforesaid meeting

Our membership 3rd mo 1st 1893 comprised 17 ministers 22 elders & 39 associate members Total 78.

(Signed) Chas. W. Earle clerk

Summary Answers

Ans. 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and are careful to promote the attendance of our families with a little exception in one meeting

Ans 2nd With some exception in two meetings we are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ

Ans 3rd We believe all our members are frequently engaged in searching the scriptures prayerfully seeking a right understanding of their contents under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit and that they are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Names of the members of R. I. Qly Mtg. in Ministry & Oversight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1873

R. I. Mo. Mtg.

ministers 4 Annabella E. Winn Thomas B. Buffum
Narcissa Jacob & John S. Kimber
Elders 4 [illegible] Mott Susan H. Almy & Sarah Almy
Winfield S. Sisson Ruth Wetherall &
Ov. Mem 3 Eunice A. Greene

Greenwich Mo. Mtg.

ministers 3 Gulielma Freeborn Lydia A. Macomber &
Cynthia J. Earle
elders 7 Charles W Earle, Rhoda H. Buffinton Mary
Clapp Catharine Greene Harriet A. Shaw
Joseph Anthony & Mary C. Arnold

Swansey Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 4 Obadiah Chace Henry C Aydelott
Rebecca Anthony & Phebe S Aydelott
Elders 6 Darius Buffinton Samuel R Buffinton, Lemuel
Chace, Esther Chace, Sarah C Skinner, and
Elizabeth S. Newton

Associate members 14 Maria Earle Benjamin A Chace Rachel P. Chace
Herbert A. Skinner, Abby C Gifford, Anna R. Chace,
Parthenia Underwood Ann F Chace, Adaline
F Chace, Mary S Buffinton, Sarah J. Macomber,
Charles Estes Charles E Dove Charles A. Chace

Providence Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 5 Huldah M Beede Phebe R Gifford Joseph
H Atwater Robt. B Hanson & Robt. P. Gifford
Elders 11 Anna T. Dennis, Sarah F Tobey, Ellen K.
Buffum, Daniel Meader Louisa R. Meader
John H Meader Charles D. Kenyon Mary E.R.
Kenyon Sarah J. Hanson Thomas J Battey &
Hannah P Ladd
Associate members 9 Samuel Austin Susan Peckham, Anna H
Meader, M Augusta Battey, Elisabeth C. Capron
Elisabeth A Gifford Ellen M Atwater
S. Caroline Tobey & Asenath Tetlow

So. Kingston Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 3 William H Perry Electa Jane Collins &
Harriet D. Collins
Elders 5 Olive H Collins, George S Gould, Anna A. Gould
Mary S. Collins & Elisabeth N. Perry, Total 77

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport 8th mo. 2nd 1893

By accounts presented from our several preparative meetings it appears the following named Friends as representatives to this meeting, viz from

R. I. Anna L Manchester Thomas B Buffum and Edward Faulkner
Greenwich Charles W Earle Cynthia P Earle, [illegible] Freeborn & Catharine Greene
Swansey Henry C. Aydelott. Adaline F Chace Rachel P. Chace & Obadiah Chace
Prov Sarah J. Hanson Elisabeth C Capron Robert B Hanson & Robert P. Gifford
So Kingston Harriet D. Collins & Electa Jane Collins who are present except three

The representatives appointed at our last meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting report their attendance except one

At the request of one of our members, we have read a copy of the minute #56. from the last yearly meeting, in regard to the consideration of the pastoral question by the yearly meeting in ministry & oversight and we were encouraged to give heed thereunto.

We now conclude purposing to meet at Fall River at the usual time in the 11th mo next if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Overseight held at Fall River 11th mo 1st 1893

By accounts presented from our several preparative meetings it appears the following named friends are their representatives to attend this meeting, viz from
R. Island Thos B. Buffum William L. Weaver —
Annie L. Manchester & Lydia A. Goddard
Greenwich Chas H. Earle Cynthia J. Earle [illegible]
Freeborn Catharine Greene & Joseph Anthony
Somerset Samuel Chace Herbert B. Skinner —
Sarah C. Skinner & Parthenia Underwood
Prov. Louisa K. Meader Hannah P. Lott
Robert P. Gifford & Daniel Meader
Stonington George S. Gould Electa Jane Collins and
Harriet D. Collins who are present except three one of whom rendered an excuse for nonattendance

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the advice following them

The following information from Rhode Island Qtly Mtg was received & read at this time viz

To Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. on Ministry and Overright —

Dear Friends

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg held at East Greenwich 5th mo 4th 1893 united with Rhode Island Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of Joseph S. Anthony William H. Beale William Weaver Edward C. Faulkner —

Albert W Lawrence Annie L Manchester
Lydia A. Goddard & Carrie W De Blois as associate
members of the meeting on ministry & oversight
for two years. The above information has been
furnished the above named individuals in
accordance with discipline and the direction
of the Qtly Meeting.

On behalf of the aforesaid Mtg held as above
Signed

Saml. R. Buffinton clk.

To Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends on
Ministry and Oversight

Dear Friends

You are hereby
informed that R. I. Qtly Mtg. of Friends held
at Newport R.I. 8th mo 3d 1893 united with
Swansey Mo. Mtg. in the appointment of
Frances E Estes as an associate member of
the Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight for two years
The above information has been furnished
the individual

By direction & on behalf of the aforesaid meeting

signed Saml. R. Buffinton clk

Having in a prayerful spirit accomplished
the business that came before us we conclude
purposing to meet in Providence on 4th day
before the Qtly Mtg. at that place at 2 o'clk in
the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle
clerk

At Rhode Island Qy. Mtg. of Friends — Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 1 mo. 3rd 18

By accounts presented by our several preparative Mtgs. it appears that the following named friends have been appointed to attend this Mtg. as their representatives, as follows

R. Island Lydia A. Goddard Carrie H. DeBlois
Albert F. Lawrence & Thos. B. Buffum
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Cynthia J. Earle, Catharine Greene,
Harriet L. Rhone, Mary C. Arnold, & Joseph Anthony
Swansey Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Aydelott
Samuel Chace & Esther Chace
Providence Susan Peckham Ellen R. Buffum Sarah J.
Hanson Daniel Meader & Robert B. Hanson
So. Kingstown Peter H. Collins and Harriet D. Collins who

are present except three, satisfactory reasons are given for the absence of two of these.

The term of service of the clerk having expired it was proposed that Chas. W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the Mtg. he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

The queries and advice following them were read in our Mtg. - and also the paragraphs of discipline on the duties of Mtgs. on Ministry & Oversight

We feel that we have experienced much of the love and power of God in our meeting - for which our hearts are led to acknowledge His goodness to us His dependent Children and still praying for His blessing to rest upon all whether present or absent; we conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 7th day before our Qy. Mtg. at that place in 5th mo. next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle: clerk.

At Rhode Island Qtly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at E. Greenwich 5th mo 2nd 1894

By accounts presented by our several preparative Meetings it appears that the following named friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

R. Island William H. Beal & Anna L. Manchester
Greenwich Lydia A Macomber, Chas W. Earle Harriet A. Shove Joseph Anthony, Cynthia J Earle & Mary C. Arnold
Swansey Frank. E Jones Esther Chace Elisabeth S. Newton Phebe S Aydelott and Chas A Chace.
Providence Hannah P. Ladd M Augusta Battey Daniel Meader and John H Meader
So. Kingston Peter H. Collins and Electa Jane Collins

who are present except four

The queries relative to this body have all been read with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings, a summary of them has been prepared and approved by the meeting. The clerk is directed to forward them, & any other necessary information from this meeting to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held in Newport in the 6th mo. next. The advice following the queries has also been read.
All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint the following named friends to represent us in the above mentioned Yearly meeting viz Chas. C. Varney, [illegible] Gifford Harriet C. Wing Phebe P. Gifford, Elizabeth S. Newton Ellen T. Buffum, Sumner R. Buffinton Phebe S. Aydelott Obadiah Chace Joseph H. Atwater, Mary C. Arnold, Catharine Greene and Anna L Manchester.

Names of the members of R.I. Qly Mtg of Friends on Ministry & Oversight as revised 3rd mo 1st 1894

Rhode Island Mo. Mtg.

Ministers 4 | Thos. B. Buffum, Annabella E Winn, Narcissa Jacob and John S. Kimber

Elders 3 | Susanna Mott, Susan H. Almy, & Sarah Almy

Associate M. 8 | William H. Beale Edward Faulkner Lydia A Goddard Carrie W. Deblois Albert W Lawrence Anna L. Manchester William L Weaver and Joseph N. Anthony.

Greenwich

Ministers 3 | Patience Freeborn, Lydia A Macomber & Cynthia J. Earle

Elders 6 | Charles W. Earle, Mary Clapp, Catharine Greene Harriet A. Shove Joseph Anthony & Mary C Arnold

Swansey

Ministers 5 | Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott Rebecca Anthony, Phebe S. Aydelott & Frank E. Jones

Elders 5 | Esther Chace, Saml. R. Buffinton Sarah C. Skinner Elisabeth S. Newton, and Samuel Chace

Associate Mem 14 | Benjamin A Chace Herbert A. Skinner Rachel C. Chace, Parthenia Underwood Mary S. Buffinton Adaline F Chace, Sarah J. Maccomber, Maria Earle, Charles A Chace, Abby C. Gifford, Ann F Chace, Charles Estes Charles E Dove & Frances A Estes

Providence

Ministers | [illegible] M. Beede Phebe K Gifford Robt. P. Gifford Joseph H. [illegible] Atwater & Robert B. Hanson

Elders 10 | Anna T. Dennis Sarah F. Tobey Louisa N. Meader Ellen T. Buffum, Sarah J Hanson Chas. D Kenyon Mary E.R. Kenyon Daniel Meader John H Meader Thomas J. Battey Hannah P Ladd & Susan Peckham

Associate M 8 Samuel Austin [illegible] Augusta Kelley Anna A. Minder
Elizabeth A Gifford S Caroline Tobey Elizabeth C Congdon
Asenath Tobey & Ellen M Wheeler

South Kingstown

Ministers 3 William H Perry Electa Jane Collins & Harriet D Collins
Elders 5 Peter H Collins Geo. S. Gould Anna G Gould
Mary A Collins & Elizabeth H Perry. Tot 11.

The business of the meeting being disposed of, we conclude purposing to meet at Newport at the usual time in the 8th mo next if the Lord permit

Charles W. Earle. Clerk

The usual account with the following summary answers were forwarded to the Yearly Meeting on M & O.

Ans 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship & discipline, and careful to promote the attendance of our families with some exceptions

2nd We are in unity with one another and with the meetings to which we belong harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ; with some exception in two meetings

3rd We are frequently engaged in searching the Holy Scriptures under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit — Careful not to misquote or misapply them, with a little exception in one meeting.

At Rhode Island Qrly. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight, held at Newport 8th mo 1st [illegible]

By accounts presented from our several preparative meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz. from

Rhode Island Joseph S. Anthony & Anna L. Winchester

Greenwich Charles W. Earle Catharine Greene

Cynthia J. Earle & Mary C Arnold

Swansea Obadiah Chace Rachel P. Chace & Charles Estes

Phebe S. Aydelott and Henry C. Aydelott

Providence M Augusta Battey, Susan Peckham

Thomas J. Battey & John H Meader

So Kingston Electa Jane Collins, Peter H. Collins, and Harriet D. Collins, who are present except one

All the queries relative to this body have been read, also the advice following them

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight "Report" That all attended.

No further business being presented we conclude purposing to meet at Fall River on fourth day before the Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle Clerk

At Rhode Island Qrly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 10th mo 31st 1894

By the accounts presented from our several preparative meetings except South Kingston it appears that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

R. Island Carrie W DeBlois Isaac L Fish Thomas B Buffum Lydia A Goddard and Eunice A. Greene

Greenwich Chas. W Earle, Joseph Anthony, Gulielma Freeborn. Catharine Greene Cynthia J Earle & Harriet A Shove

Swansey Chas. F Leslie Esther Chace Benjamin A Chace Elisabeth S. Newton Sarah C Skinner & Henry C Aydelott

Providence Ellen K. Buffum Susan Peckham Charles C. Varney and Joseph H Atwater who are present except two who gave satisfactory reasons for their absence

The queries required to be read at this time have all been read also the advices following them.

No further business being presented we conclude purposing to meet in Providence on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in the 2nd mo. 1895 at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if permitted to do so.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Qly Mtg of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo 6th 1895.

By written accounts received from each of our preparative meetings except So. Kingston we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

R. Island Lydia A. Goddard Robert C. Wetherall Anna L. Manchester & Thomas B. Buffum

Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Joseph Anthony Gulielma Freeborn Cynthia J. Earle & Harriet A. Shove

Swansey Frank E. Jones Esther Chace Phebe S. Aydelott and Benjamin A. Chace

Providence Susan Peckham Hannah P. Ladd Robert B. Hendon & Robert P. Gifford

who are present except five, satisfactory reasons for the absence of several of those have been given

The term of service of the clerk having expired it was proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk, which being approved by the meeting he is appointed to that service for one year.

The queries relative to this branch of the Church and the advice following them have been read in this meeting and time given for their consideration.

So. Kingstown preparative meeting on M. & O. not having presented any account to several Qly. Mtgs. — We appoint Chas. W Earle Cynthia J Earle & Robert P. Gifford a committee to confer with the members of that meeting in regard to the matter & report at a future meeting, what may seem the best course to pursue.

We have had a favored meeting and we feel that we have been fed with food from the Lords table

We now conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich at the usual time in the fifth month if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at East Greenwich 5-1-1895

By accounts received from our subordinate meetings except South Kingston we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives. viz from

R Island Thomas B. Buffum & Eunice A. Greene
Greenwich Chas. W. Earle Gulielma Freeborn Catharine Greene
Cynthia J Earle and Harriet A Shove
Swansey Esther Chace Charles A Chace
Obadiah Chace and Frank E. Jones
Providence Elisabeth A Gifford, Sarah J Hanson
and Robert P. Gifford who are present except two a satisfactory reason was given for the absence of one

The queries relative to this branch of the Church have all been read with the required answers from each of our subordinate meetings except So. Kingston a summary of them has been prepared and approved by the meeting. The clerk is directed to forward them and any other necessary information from this meeting to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Portland in the 6th month this year

The advice following the queries has also been read.

All our Mtgs. have been regularly held during the past year.

We appoint the following named friends to represent us in the above mentioned Yearly Meeting viz- Joseph H. Atwater Robert P. Gifford Cynthia J Earle Eunice A Greene Ellen K. Buffum Saml. R Buffinton Charles W. Earle and Phebe R Gifford

The following information from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting was received and read viz.

To the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight of Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends

Dear Friends,

You are hereby informed that at the aforesaid Quarterly Meeting held at Providence 2nd mo. 7th 1895 that meeting united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Lydia A Goddard Daniel Wetherell and Ruth A Wetherell, and with Providence Monthly meeting in the appointment of Saml. Austin M. Augusta Bailey Sarah Caroline Tobey Hannah [illegible] Anna A Meader Elisabeth C. Capron Ellen M Atwater and Elisabeth A Gifford as members of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight for two years. The friends named above have all been notified of their said appointment-
Taken from the minutes of the aforesaid Qtly Meeting held as above

Saml. R. Buffinton }
Susan Peckham } Clerks

The clerk is directed to inform the Qtly Meeting of the failure of one of our preparative meetings to send for three consecutive quarters, any account to this meeting as required by discipline

Our membership 3rd mo 1. 1895 comprised 21 ministers 27 Elders and 43 other members Total 91.

Our business being satisfactorily disposed of we now conclude purposing to meet at Newport on 4th day before the Qtly. Mtg. at that place in the 6th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

The following account was handed to the clerk of the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight. viz.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England
on Ministry and Oversight

Dear friends

The queries have all been read in our meeting with the required answers from our several preparative meetings except one. a summary of which has been prepared and approved by the meeting and directed to be forwarded with any other necessary information to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Portland Maine in the 6th mo next.
All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.
We appoint Joseph H. Atwater Robt. P. Gifford Cynthia J. Earle Eunice A. Greene Ellen R. Buffum Samuel R. Buffinton Charles W. Earle and Phebe A. Gifford representatives to the aforesaid meeting

Our membership 3rd mo 1st 1895 comprised 21 ministers 27 Elders and 43 other members, Total 91

Taken from the minutes of R. I. Qtly. Mtg. of Friends on ministry & oversight held at E Greenwich 5th mo 1st 1895

Chas. W. Earle clerk

Names of Friends who composed Rhode Island Qrly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight. as revised
3rd mo 1st 1895

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers 4 Thos B. Buffum. Annabella E. Winn
Narcissa J. Beale and John S. Kimber

Elder 1 Susan H. Almy,

Other mem. 10 Anna L Manchester, Margaret Sherman, Joseph S. Anthony, Robert C Wetherell, Hannah C. Borden,
Isaac L. Fish, Eunice A Greene, Lydia A Goddard,
Daniel Wetherell & Ruth A Wetherell.

Greenwich. Mo. Mtg.

Minister 3 Guielma Freeborn, Lydia A. Macomber & Cynthia J. Earle.

Elders 6 Chas. W. Earle Mary Clapp. Catharine Greene
Harriet A. Shove Joseph Anthony & Mary C. Arnold.

Other mem 2 Chas H Earle & Joanna Peck.

Swansey Mo. Mtg.

Minister 5 Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott, Rebecca Anthony,
Phebe S. Aydelott & Frank E. Jones.

Elders 5 Esther Chace, Samuel R. Buffinton, Sarah C. Skinner,
Elizabeth S. Newton, & Lemuel Chace.

Other mem 1 Benjamin A. Chace, Herman A. Skinner, Rachel P. Chace, Parthenia Underwood, Mary S. Buffinton,
Adeline F. Chace, Sarah J. Macomber, Maria Earle,
Chas. A. Chace, Ann F. Chace, Chas. Estes, Chas. E. Dore
Frances A. Estes, - Chas. S. Leslie, Mary E. Macomber,
Henry E. Chace, Eliza Ann Sisson, Thomas F. Fletcher
Ann Maria Fletcher.

Providence Mo. Mtg.

Minister 6 [illegible] M. Beede Phebe R. Gifford Robert P. Gifford
Joseph H. Atwater Robert B. Hanson & Chas. C. Varney

Elder 10 Anna F. Dennis, Louisa A. Meader, Ellen K. Buffum
Sarah J. Hanson Chas. L. Kenyon Mary E. R. Kenyon
John H. Meader Thomas J. Battey Hannah P. Ladd &
Susan Peckham

Other mem 8 Saml. Austin, M Augusta Battey, Anna A Meader, Elisabeth A. Gifford S. Caroline Tobey Elisabeth C. Capron Asenath Allen & Erion M. Atwater.

So Kingston Mo Mtg.

Ministers 3. Wm ~~H.~~ Perry Electa Jane Collins & Harriet D. Collins.

Elders 5 Peter H. Collins Geo. S. Gould Anna A. Gould Mary S. Collins Elisabeth N. Perry

Other mem 4 John Babcock Mary P Babcock Wm F Collins and Elvira M Perry

The following summary answers were forwarded with the account to the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting on M. & O.

Ans. 1st Our members are diligent in attending meetings for worship & discipline and endeavor to promote the attendance of their families.

2nd We are with little exception, in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering to Christ.

3rd We believe our members are frequently engaged in searching the Holy Scriptures in the manner queried after and are generally careful not to misquote or misapply them

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport

7th mo 31st 1875

By accounts from our several subordinate meetings we are informed that the following named friends are appointed representatives to attend this meeting from

Rhode Island Adelia Rees Lydia A Goddard
Robert C. Wetherell and Joseph S. Anthony
Greenwich Chas W. Earle Mary C Arnold
Cynthia J. Earle and Harriet A Shove
Swansey Phebe S. Aydelott Frank E Jones Chas A Chace
Esther Chace and Henry C Aydelott
Providence Elisabeth A. Gifford Sarah J Hanson
Robert P Gifford and Robert B Hanson
So Kingston Electa Jane Collins and Peter H Collins who are present except five, satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of three

The queries were all read in our meeting also the advice following them

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Portland Report" That it attended

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at Fall River at the usual time in the 11th mo. next if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1895

By accounts received from our several preparative meetings, it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to attend this meeting, viz from

Rhode Island Robert C. Wetherell, Margaret T. Sherman, Isaac B. Macomber, Isaac L. Fish and Lydia A. Goddard
Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn Catharine Greene
Charles W. Earle and Joseph Anthony
Swansey Mary E. Macomber, Charles Estes Saml R. Buffinton
Phebe S Aydlotte Henry C. Aydlotte & Charles Leslie
Providence Sarah J. Hanson, Elisabeth A Gifford,
Robert P. Gifford and Joseph H. Atwater,
So Kingston Peter H Collins & Electa Jane Collins who are present except four

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read and the advice following them, also the paragraph of discipline relating to the duties of Meetings on Ministry and Oversight.

We have received and read the following communication from the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting; viz.

To Rhode Island Qtly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight.

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport R. I. 8th mo 1st 1895 united with Swansea Monthly meeting in the appointment of Adeline F Chace to the station of elder, The above information has been furnished her,

By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid Qtly Mtg.

Samuel R Buffinton
clerk

The suggestion by some of our members that we might have a more definite account from the several meetings constituting this; through their representatives: - after various expressions being given, we conclude to appoint a committee to visit or otherwise ascertain as near as possible the needs & wants of our subordinate meetings and of taking such measures as may lead to a more frequent holding of religious meetings in those places where we find unoccupied meeting houses and the condition of said houses, - also to take into view the proximity of members to these places and the wishes and desires of the people in the vicinity in regard to this matter. Whereupon we appoint John S Kimber Isaac L Fish Robert C Wetherell, M. Augusta Battey Charles Estes Charles A Chace Catharine Greene Narcissa Beale Charles W Earle and Frank E Jones to investigate this subject and report at our next meeting.

Having disposed of the business that came before the meeting, we now conclude purposing to meet at Providence on 4th day before the Qutly Mtg. in second month 1896. at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit.

Chas. W. Earle Clerk

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2nd mo. 5th 1896

By written accounts received from each of our preparative meetings except South Kingston we are informed that the following named Friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

Rhode Island Isaac L Fish, Lydia A Goddard, Edwin J. Lord Robert C Wetherell, Eunice A Greene, Anna L. Manchester and Eunice Wetherell.

Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn Charles W. Earle
Catharine Greene and Mary C Arnold
Swansea Obadiah Chace, Esther Chace, Frances A Estes
Phebe S Aydelott and Samuel R Buffinton
Providence Hannah P Ladd Susan Peckham
Robert B. Hanson and John H Meader who are
So. K. none all present except these

The term of service of the clerk having expired it was proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the meeting he is appointed to that service for the ensuing year

The queries relative to this branch of the church and the advice following them have been read in our meeting and time given for their careful and serious consideration

The following communication from the clerk of Rhode Quarterly meeting has been received & read viz

To Rhode Island Quarterly meeting on M & O.

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Fall River in 11th mo last united with Swansea Monthly meeting in the appointment of Benjamin A Chace and Rachel P Chace to the station of elder. The above information has been furnished them

By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting held as a united meeting

Signed Samuel R. Buffinton clerk

The committee appointed at our last meeting in reference to more frequent holding of religious meetings in those places where we now have unoccupied houses & for other purposes presented a report as follows viz

To Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight

Dear friends,

Your committee appointed in 11th mo last to ascertain what openings could be found for carrying out the meetings concern, that the Masters work might be carried on in all our meeting houses especially those in which few or no meetings are held have given attention to our appointment and find six houses of that class within our limits.

At Hopkinton the house is in good condition, the members except a few very aged ones, have died or moved away. Unless some active measures are taken soon the meeting there will be a thing of the past as is already the case at [illegible] and Peacedale

At Anthony a coat of paint on the outside would put the house in good condition, there are only three members in the vicinity one of whom has lately joined. We think a regular meeting on first-day would be quite well attended.

At Old Warwick we desire to call the attention of Friends to the desirability of holding some appointed meetings there as warm weather approaches. It is expected that the house will be in proper repair at an early date

At Scituate there is one member over 80 years of age, who is not able to attend meetings and one old man who is a descendant of Friends who always attends when meetings are held there Providence Friends generally hold two or more meetings there during the summer which are well attended.

The committee desire to recommend furthur attention to that meeting

In Cumberland there are eight members but several of whom are unable to attend meetings. There is a Methodist meeting in the place and some of our members attend with them. Providence Friends hold several meetings there during the warm season which are well attended

At Jamestown meetings are occasionally held and we desire to commit this interesting place to the notice of the meeting that they may see whether meetings could not be held there in a larger portion of the year

We know of no other vacant houses but we have some members on the island of Prudence and no religious services held there, and recommend that some attention be paid to that field. Let us as individuals and as a meeting enquire what are our duties in these fields and prayerfully seek for wisdom and courage to take up the work in the spirit of our Master for His glory and the salvation of souls. As we are thus faithful we know that Gods rich blessing will rest on the work and workers as has already been proven at Saylesville Freetown & Tiverton, we desire to extend encouragement to these three places

On behalf of the committee
Prov. 2nd mo 5th 1896 Chas. A. Chace Sec.

Much interest has been taken by the meeting in listening to the reading of the above report and further consideration thereof is referred to a future meeting of this body and the same committee is continued to have charge of the concern as expressed in a minute of our last meeting

Having had an interesting & instructive meeting we now conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Quarterly Meeting in 5th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if permitted so to do

Chas. W. Earle Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at E Greenwich
5th mo. 6th 1896

By accounts received from our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

Rhode Island Edwin J. Lord Eunice A Greene & Anna L. Manchester
Greenwich Gulielma Freeborn Catharine Greene
Charles W. Earle & Mary C. Arnold
Swansey Chas. Estes Phebe S. Aydelott Henry C. Aydelott
Charles A Chace and Eliza Ann Sisson
Tiverton Susan Peckham Hannah Rudd & Robert P. Gifford
So. Kingstown William H. Perry Electa Jane Collins & Elisabeth N. Perry

who are present except seven satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two.

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings, a summary of them has been prepared and approved by the meeting The clerk is directed to forward them and any other necessary information from this meeting to the Yearly meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at Newport in the sixth month this year. The advice following the queries has also been read

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint the following named Friends to represent us in the above mentioned Yearly Meeting viz Joseph F. [illegible] Catharine Greene Robert P. Gifford Mary C. Arnold M Augusta Pattey Anna L. Manchester Esther Chace Obadiah Chace Chas W. Earle Electa J. Collins Susan Peckham Eunice A Greene & Phebe S Aydelott.

Our membership 3rd mo. 1st 1896 comprised
17 Ministers 5 Elders & 11 Associate members
Total number 57. Overseers 26.

A part of the committee appointed in 11th mo last in reference to holding meetings in those places where we have unoccupied meeting houses &c, made verbal report that several meetings had been held in one of these places and gave encouragement that much good might result from further effort in this line of work. The same Committee is continued

The business being harmoniously disposed of we conclude purposing to meet at Newport at the usual time in 8th mo next if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle. Clerk

The following summary answers were forwarded with the account to the clerk of the Yearly Meeting on M. & O.

Our members are diligent in attending meetings
1st for worship and discipline and endeavor to promote the attendance of their families with little exception in one meeting

2nd With some exception in one meeting we are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong and our labor in gathering unto Christ is for the most part harmonious

3rd We believe our members are frequently engaged in searching the Holy Scriptures seeking by the aid of the Holy Spirit, through prayer for a right understanding of their contents.
Careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Names of Friends who compose Rhode Island Yly. Mtg. on Ministry and Oversight as revised
5th mo 1st 189

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers 5 Annabella E. Winn, S. Narcissa Beale, Delia Rees
John S. Timber & Edwin J. Lord
Elders 1 Susan H. Almy
Associate 3 Lydia Goddard Daniel Wetherell & Ruth Wetherell

Greenwich

Ministers 1 Gulielma Freeborn
Elders 6 Charles W. Earle Mary Clapp Catharine Greene
Harriet A. Shove Joseph Anthony & Mary C. Arnold

Swansey

Ministers 5 Obadiah Chace Rebecca Anthony Henry C Aydelott
Phebe S Aydelott & Frank E. Jones
Elders 8 Esther Chace Samuel Chace Benjamin A. Chace
Rachel P. Chace Adaline F. Chace Samuel R. Buffinton
Sarah C. Skinner & Elisabeth S Newton

Providence

Ministers 6 Huldah M. Beede Phebe R Gifford Robert B. Hanson
Joseph H. Atwater Charles C. Varney & Robert P Gifford
Elders 7 Ellen K. Buffum Louisa N. Meader Sarah J. Hanson
Hannah P. Ladd Susan Peckham John H. Meader
and Thomas J. Battey.
Associate 8 Samuel Austin M Augusta Battey Anna A. Meader
Asenath Tetlow Elisabeth C. Capron Elisabeth A. Gifford
Sarah C. Tobey & Ellen M. Atwater

South Kingstown

Ministers 3 Wm. H. Perry Electa Jane Collins & Harriet G. Collins
Elders 5 Peter H. Collins Geo. S. Gould Anna A. Gould
Mary S. Collins & Elisabeth N. Perry.

At Rhode Island Qty. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at [illegible]

By accounts from our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following named Friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

Rhode Island Robert C. Wetherell Lydia A. Goddard
Anna L. Manchester and Joseph S. Anthony,
Greenwich Mary C Arnold, Catherine Greene & Chas. W. Earle
Swansey Esther Chace, Samuel R. Buffinton, [illegible] Chace
Providence Hannah P Ladd, Elisabeth A Gifford & Thomas J. Battey
S. Kingstown Eliza Ann Collins and Harriet S. Collins were
all present except three, for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given

The queries have all been read in this meeting also the advice following them

The representatives appointed by this meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting at Newport, "Report" That all attended.

The committee appointed in the 11th month last for ascertaining the needs of our subordinate meetings and for other purposes, "Report" That eight meetings have been held at Anthony and recommend the work to be continued under the care of a Committee. The same committee are continued and the clerk is requested to lay a summary of the committee's work before the Qty. meeting and request that a sum of money be appropriated or collected for the use of the Committee

Our business being satisfactorily concluded we purpose to meet again at Fall River on 4th day before our Qtly Mtg. in the 11th mo next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of
Friends in Ministry and Overseers held at [illegible]

11th mo 4th 1896

By accounts received from our several preparative meetings except South Kingston it appears that the following named Friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

Rhode Island Isaac B Macomber Eunice A Greene Robert C Wetherell Lydia A Goddard Hannah C Borden & Anna L Manchester

Greenwich Chas H Earle Gulielma Freeborn Catharine Greene Harriet A Shove and Joseph Anthony

Swansea Herbert A. Skinner Esther Chace Henry C. Aydelott Adaline F. Chace and Chas Estes.

Providence Sarah J Hanson Susan Peckham John H. Meader who are present except four

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read in this meeting also the advice following them

Verbal reports have been made by several members of the committee appointed one year ago, which have been both interesting and instructive and we now reappoint the same committee with the addition of William H. Perry to have the care of the work as set forth in the original minute and the committee is requested to furnish a written report to our next meeting

We now conclude purposing to meet at Providence on 4th day before the Quarterly Meeting in 2nd month 1897 at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if the Lord permit

Chas H. Earle Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 2 mo. 5 1897

By accounts from our several subordinate meetings except South Kingstown we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

Rhode Island William Holt Josephine W. Kimber & Josiah Albro
Greenwich E Annah Tucker, Chas W. Earle, Catharine Greene & Gulielma Freeborn
Swansea Frank E. Jones Esther Chace Phebe S Aydelott Henry C. Aydelott and Obadiah Chace
Providence Elizabeth A. Gifford, Anna A. Meader, Thomas J. Battey Laura A. Meader Albert [illegible] John [illegible] Meader and Joseph H Atwater who are present except five satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two

The term of service of the clerk having expired it was proposed that Charles W. Earle be appointed clerk which being approved by the meeting he is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The queries relative to this branch of the church and also the advice following them have been read in this meeting and time given for their careful and serious consideration

The following communications from the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting have been received and read & directed to be recorded, viz.

To R.I. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Newport R.I. 8th mo. 6th 1896 united with Providence Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Valentine Meader to the station of elder, and that the Quarterly Meeting held in Fall River 11th mo 5th 1896 united with Swansea Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Sarah J. Macomber to the same station, also at the same time united with Greenwich Mo. Meeting in the acknowledgment of the gift in the ministry and the public appearance in the name of Elizabeth Annah Tucker

The committee appointed in the 11th mo. 1895 presented at this time the following report, viz

To R. I. Qtly Mtg. on Ministry and Oversight
Dear friends,

We have been unable to have a full meeting of our Committee, therefore cannot report in detail in regard to the particular meetings in the Quarterly Meeting. From what information we have we feel that the interest in the several meetings from which we have heard, has deepened and the attendance been fully sustained. One meeting at Situate which was well attended and favored with the Master's presence & blessing, is the only work that has been done in our closed meeting houses since our last report. Although no meetings have been held at Anthony since last eighth month we have not forgotten the work and feel that furthur labor should be bestowed there.

On behalf of the Com, Chas A Chace sec.
Prov. R.I. 2nd mo 3rd 1897.

The above report has been read and accepted. We now reappoint the same committee to have charge of the work as set forth in the original minute.

Having had an interesting and instructive meeting, we now conclude purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 4th day before our Qutl. Mtg. in the 5th mo. next at 2 o'clk in the afternoon if permitted so to do.

Chas. W. Earle clerk

R. Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends in Ministry & Oversight held at E Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1897

By accounts received from our subordinate meetings except South Kingston we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

Rhode Island Isaac B. Macomber Exie Estes & James Estes
Greenwich Chas W. Earle, Catharine Greene, Harriet A. Shove
Mary C. Arnold and Gulielma [illegible]
Swansea Chas. Estes Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelott
Esther Chace Frank E. Jones & Frances Estes
Providence Susan Pinkham Hannah P. Ladd
Robert B. Hanson and John H. Meader
who are present except two.

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings except South Kingston. A summary of them has been prepared and approved by the meeting. The clerk is hereby directed to forward them and any other necessary information from this meeting to the Yearly Meeting on ministry and Oversight to be held at Portland Maine in the sixth month this year.

All our meetings have been regularly held during the past year

We appoint the following named friends to represent us in the above mentioned Yearly Meeting viz. James M. Estes Joseph H. [illegible] Obadiah Chace Catharine Greene, Josephine W Kimber, Hannah P. Ladd, Esther Chace, Exie Estes, Robert P Gifford Phebe R. Gifford Charles A. Chace, Charles W. Earle Elisabeth A Gifford and E Annah Tucker.

The following communication from the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting was received and read and directed to be recorded. viz

To Charles W Earle Clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Dear Friend

This may certify that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Providence 2nd mo 4th 1897 united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in approving the gift of a public ministry of Mary C. [illegible] and [illegible] Coles; with Swansea Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Parthenia Underwood to the station of elder; and with Providence Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Samuel Austin, S. Caroline Tobey, Asenath Tillow, Elizabeth C. Cahoon, Ellen M Atwater and Elizabeth A. Gifford as associate members of the meeting on Ministry and Oversight for a term not exceeding two years

Thomas J. Battey clerk

The committee on the condition and needs of our meetings presented the following report viz.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Dear Friends

Your committee which was appointed in 2nd mo last on the needs of subordinate meetings, report as follows. Some of our committee have visited Old Warwick and find that meeting house in [illegible] condition and we think there is [illegible] need [illegible] of a Friends meeting there. Meetings have been regularly held at Anthony Village since the middle of 2nd month with increasing attendance and interest. A Bible School and Christian Endeavor Society have been established and some have applied for membership. We feel that the Master is using A Edward Kelsey to do a good work in that

The committee have received \$91^90 for the work of which \$63^58 has been expended leaving a balance on hand of \$28^32

We recommend that the work be continued in the care of a committee,
On behalf of the Com-
E Greenwich 5/5/97
Chas A. Chace. Sec-

Which is satisfactory to the meeting, and the same committee are continued and requested to report at our next meeting,

The business of the meeting being harmoniously disposed of we conclude, purposing to meet at Newport at 2 o'clk P.M. on the day preceding R.I. Qtly. Mtg. in the 8th mo next if the Lord permit

Chas. W. Earle clerk

The following summary answers were forwarded with the usual account to the clerk of the Yearly Meeting on M. & O.

Ans 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline, and careful to promote the attendance of our families

2nd With some exception in one meeting to which care is being extended we are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering to Christ

3rd We are diligent in searching the Holy Scriptures seeking the light of the Holy Spirit to rightly understand their contents and care is taken not to misquote or misapply them

Names of the members of Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight as revised

3rd mo 1st 1897

R.I. Mo. Mtg.

Ministers, Annabella E. Winn, S Narcissa Beale John S. Kimber
Delia Rees, James M. Estes Eva Estes Mary E Kimber
Elders 1 Susan H. Almy
Associate 5 Isaac L Fish Eunice A Greene Robert Wetherell
Joseph Y. Anthony and Anthony M Kimber

Greenwich

Ministers 2 Gulielma Freeborn and E Annah Tucker
Elders Charles W. Earle Catharine Greene Harriet A Shove
Mary C Arnold.

Swansea.

Ministers Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelott Phebe S. Aydelott
Rebecca Anthony and Frank E Jones
Elders Arthur Chace Samuel R Buffington Sarah C. S Brown
Elisabeth S. Newton, Lemuel Chace, Adeline T. Chace
Rachel P. Chace Sarah J Macomber & Parthenia Underwood

Providence

Ministers 5 Huldah M. Beede, Phebe R Gifford, Robert P. Gifford
Joseph H Atwater & Robert B Hanson
Elders 8 Louisa N Meader, Ellen K Buffum, Sarah J Hanson
John H Meader Thomas J Battey, Hannah P Ladd
Susan Peckham and Valentine Meader
Associate 5 Asenath Tetlow, Elisabeth A. Gifford Elisabeth C.
Capron, S Caroline Tobey Ellen M. Atwater.

So. Kingston

Minister 2 William H Perry & Harriet D. Collins
Elder 5 Peter H Collins George S Gould Anna A Gould
Mary S Collins and Elisabeth N. Perry

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 4th 1897

By accounts received from our several subordinate meetings except South Kingstown it appears the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives, viz from

Rhode Island James M Estes Robert C Wetherell
John S Kimber & Josephine H Kimber
Greenwich Mary C. Arnold Chas W. Earle & Catharine [illegible]
[illegible] Henry C. Aydelott, Elisabeth S. Newton, Phebe S. Aydelott
Charles A. Chace and Esther Chace
Providence Ellen T. Griffin [illegible]
Thomas J. Battey and Robert P. Gifford who are all present except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read and considered with the answers following them

Representatives appointed to attend the last Yearly Meeting report that all attended except two

The following extract from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has been received and read for our information viz

To Chas W. Earle clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. on Ministry and Oversight

Thou art hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo 6th 1897 united with Greenwich Monthly meeting the appointment of Joanna Peck to the station of elder
By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting
Thomas J. Battey
clerk

The following report of the committee on the [illegible] [illegible] limits of [illegible] has been received and read which is satisfactory and the same committee are continued and desired to report at our next meeting and the clerk of this meeting is requested [illegible] the financial condition of this work before Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and ask for a collection or appropriation of such a sum of money as may be agreed on for the use of said Committee

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on ministry & oversight -

Your committee have continued to extend care to some of our neglected meetings. The work seems prosperous at Anthony Village and the outlook [illegible]. Meetings have been regularly held on Firstday morning and Fifthday evening which are all well attended. Greenwich Mo. Mtg. has thoroughly repaired the house, shed and fence. The committee have assisted A Edward Kelsey to the amount of $\$50^{32}$ and have $11 - on hand Joseph H. Atwater has been holding meetings at Old Warwick for the last month and reports an increasing interest there. Two meetings have been held at North Scituate which have been well attended but the way has not yet opened for regular service there. We recommend that a committee continue the work

On behalf of the Com -
C. A. Chace [illegible]

Newport 5th mo 14th 1897

We are glad to record at this time the presence of dear friends from Syria Asia and from the state of Iowa of our own land, whose company and labor among us has been to our comfort and edification. We now conclude purposing to meet in Fall River at the usual time Chas W. Earle

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 3rd 1897

By accounts from our subordinate meetings except South Kingston we are informed that the following named friends are appointed to attend this meeting as their representatives viz from

Rhode Island Mo Mtg. Isaac B. Macomber Joseph W. Kimber Anthony M. Kimber & Mary T. Macomber

Greenwich Charles W. Earle and Harriet A. Snow

Swansea Elisabeth S. Newton Lemuel Chace
Daniel G. Buffinton and Abby Chace

Providence Hannah W. Dodd [illegible] Tolley
and Robert P. Gifford [illegible] three for the absence of two of these satisfactory reasons were given

The queries relative to this branch of the church have all been read and considered, The advice following them was also read

The committee on the needs of those meetings in places where meetings are not being regularly held made the following report which is interesting and satisfactory to this meeting and the same Committee are now reappointed and desired to report at our next meeting

To R. I. Qtly. Mtg. of Friends on Ministry & Oversight—

Dear Friends

Your committee which was continued three months ago to look after the needs of our subordinate meetings report as follows, meetings were held at Old Warwick by Joseph F. Atwater and wife until twelve had been held with an average attendance of eighteen. They have now been omitted for several weeks but we hope that the way will open soon for more service there

The work at [illegible] continues very encouraging Greenwich Monthly Meeting has established regular meetings there on 1st and 5th days of the week and also a preparative meeting.
The meeting on Firstday has an average attendance of about forty five, A Christian endeavor meeting is held Friday evening which is well attended. A Bible school with four classes and an average attendance of some thirty is regularly held. but the best of all is, that the Master has set his seal on the work in several conversions. Two requests for membership are before the Monthly meeting now, - and several others are thinking seriously of uniting with Friends

A movement has been started to make the work selfsupporting, but we feel that financial assistance should be continued for some time longer there

On behalf of the Com
Fall River 11th mo. 3rd 1897 C. A. Chase Sec.

We have had at this time the acceptable company of Ezra G. Pearson a minister of the gospel from Lynn Grove Quarterly meeting Iowa we greet him as a brother beloved.

No further business being presented we conclude purposing to meet at Providence on 4th day preceding the Quarterly Meeting in the 2nd mo 1898 at 2 o'clk in the afternoon the Lord permitting

Chas W. Earle clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held in Providence 2nd mo 3rd 1896

The vacancy in the Clerkship of this Meeting occurs at this time not only by limit of appointment but on account of the decease of our dear friend Charles W. Earle whose faithful services have extended over a period of nearly twenty-two years.

Robt H. Gifford was appointed Clerk for the day and the Representatives now in attendance at this Meeting are requested to consider the nomination of a permanent Clerk and report to our next Quarterly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight to be held at East Greenwich.

By accounts received from our subordinate Meetings except South Kingston we are informed that the following named Friends are under appointment to attend this Meeting as representatives

R.I. viz from Rhode Island Eric Estes. Francis W. Holman – Anthony M. Kimber Josephine V. Kimber Robt C. Wetherell and Mary V. Macomber –
Greenwich – Joanna Rich Joseph H. Atwater and E. Hannah Tucker.
Swansea Obadiah Chace Adeline F. Chace, Esther Chace Phebe S. Aydelott – Charles E. Dore and Chas. A Chace –
Providence Sarah J. Hanson Louisa S. Meader – Robt H. Gifford. Thomas G. Jackson and Hannah P. Ladd who are present except six.

The Queries and Advices have all been read followed by evidence of prayerful consideration of the duties and privileges of Each Member of the Meeting.

The Committee on the needs of Subordinate Meetings and more especially of those being held in Meeting Houses that have been closed.

made a satisfactory report and the Clerk is requested to present it to our Quarterly Meeting tomorrow having in view the Solicitation of prayerful interest and financial aid for the good work.

Report

To R. I. Qrly Mtg on Ministry & Oversight

Dear Friends — We read that Nehemiah said to the Jews. "Come and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem that it be no more a reproach. Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me as also the Kings words that he had spoken unto me. And they said. Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work"

When two years ago this Committee was set apart for this special work we realized that the walls of our Jerusalem were breaking down and becoming a reproach and that without God's help we were wholly unable to rebuild them, but as we began to use the means at our disposal we found that the good hand of God was upon us, and he has sent young men to us filled with burning zeal for the advancement of his Cause. One year ago we arranged with H. Edward Kelsey to have meetings regularly held in our Meeting House at Anthony Village and the Master has wonderfully blessed his labors there. From 3 members the number has increased to 14 with 4 requests before the Monthly Meeting and the regular attendance will compare favorably with any Meeting in this Quarter.

During the Fall and Winter Harry Hayes an earnest young worker has been laboring at Sayesville. Several Conversions have resulted and the Meeting has been much strengthened. Arrangements have lately been Completed for Wm J. Sayers to hold regular Meetings at Old Warwick. He has attended one Meeting there and the outlook is Encouraging. While we believe that the Lord has given us these workers we realize that unless we as a Church heartily support them with our prayers and our means the permanent results will be Small. The Meeting at Freetown is Continued as usual. At Tiverton we are sorry to State that the Meetings have been discontinued but we have good hope that the work will soon be started again on a more permanent basis. We have done nothing as yet towards opening the vacant houses at Cumberland, So Scituate, Hopkinton and Jamestown.

Your Committee feel that they have sustained a great loss by the death of our dear friend Charles H Earle whose sincere interest in the Cause for which we were appointed was an inspiration and whose calm unbiased judgement we greatly respected. We rejoice that he was permitted to see the fruit of the faithful labors of himself and wife a Anthony. We recommend the appointment of a new Committee to Continue the work.

Signed On behalf of the Committee
Providence 2 Mo 2 1898 Chas H Chace Sec

— We appoint Charles H Chace Susan Peckham James M Estes Ellen K. Buffum Mary C. Sutton Robt. C. Fetherall M Augusta Sattey John P Kimber. A Edward Kelsey E Anna Tucker ~~and~~ Frank E Jones and Joanna Peck a Committee to have the Care of this Service and Report to our next Meeting. With grateful hearts we Conclude, proposing to Meet at the usual time in the fifth Mo. next at East Greenwich — Robt P. Gifford Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th month 4th 1898

Appointment of Clerk — The representatives under appointment at our last meeting report that they are united in recommending Phebe S. Aydelott for clerk which is approved by this meeting and she is accordingly appointed to serve in that position for the ensuing year.

Representatives to this meeting — By accounts received from our subordinate meetings, we learn that the following persons are appointed to attend this meeting as representatives. viz.

Rhode Island = James M. Estes; Isaac B. Macomber; Ezie Estes.
Greenwich = A. Edward Kelsey; Harriet A. Shove; E. Anna Tucker; Moses L. Buffinton.
Swansea = Obadiah Chace; P. S. Aydelott; Adaline F. Chace; Frank E. Jones; Esther Chace; Chas A. Chace.
Providence = Hannah P. Ladd; Susan Peckham; Louisa A. Meader; Robert P. Gifford; Robert B. Hanson;

who are present except two.

Queries — The Queries and advices with required answers to the former, from each of our subordinate meetings have been read and considered. A summary of these answers has been adopted by the meeting and the clerk is directed to forward them with other necessary information to the next Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Newport R. I. by the following named persons who are appointed to attend that meeting as our representatives, viz: Obadiah Chace

Representatives to the Yearly Meeting — Phebe S. Aydelott; Ellen K. Buffum; Adaline F. Chace; James M. Estes; A. Edward Kelsey; Ellen M. Atwater; Robert P. Gifford; Isaac B. Macomber; and Elizabeth A. Gifford.

All of our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.

The following is the summary of the answers to the Queries as approved and adopted:

Answer 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and are careful to promote the attendance of our families.

Answer 2d We are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which we belong, laboring harmoniously together in gathering unto Christ.

nswer 3d We are engaged frequently in searching the Holy Scriptures, prayerfully seeking a right understanding of their contents under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit, and are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

The following communication from the clerk of Rhode
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Island Quarterly Meeting has been read at this time and is directed to be recorded for our information,-

To ~~Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk of~~ R. I. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Thou art hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Providence 2d mo 3d 1898 transferred the members of South Kingston Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight of Greenwich Monthly Meeting. The aforesaid Quarterly Meeting united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in acknowledging and endorsing the gift in the Ministry of Asa Edward Kelsey, and also united with Swansea Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Herbert A. Skinner to the station of Elder.

By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid Quarterly Meeting.

Thomas J. Bailey - Clerk.

The committee under appointment to consider the needs of subordinate meetings, and more especially those held in places where old meeting-houses have been recently opened, presented a report which is very satisfactory and is as follows:-

Report

To the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight for
Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

The work which is under the care of this committee has been especially blessed of the Lord during the past quarter. On the first First-day in 3d month G. Mahlon Chace began to hold afternoon meetings in the Tiverton meeting-house which have continued each succeeding Sabbath and a live interest seems to be manifested. On the 11th of last month the chairman and secretary of this committee with James M. Estes who was appointed to look after the needs of that particular meeting, were present.

After a very profitable season of worship the members of the committee met and consulted in regard to the work. The work which was begun by William Sayers at Warwick in 2d month last continues to prosper. Thus far there have been 14 First-day afternoon meetings with an average attendance of seventeen. A Bible School is held immediately following the meeting. There is a primary class of twelve and an advanced class of six. There has been one conversion, one renewal, and several have signified a desire to be prayed for. An attempt is now being made to hold a meeting on Seventh-day evenings. There is every evidence to believe that the Lord is blessing the labor bestowed in this portion of His vineyard. Greenwich Monthly Meeting has provided for the future necessary expenses of this meeting.

The Lord is continuing to bless and upbuild the work at Anthony. As a result of the series of meetings held in 2d month last by Mead A. Kelsey of High Point, N.C. there was a blessed ingathering

and the work was materially strengthened. Several have recently joined the meeting and at the present time there are seven applications before the Monthly Meeting. The outlook seems very bright wherever the committee has undertaken work, and we believe, that, through the faithfulness of our Society in entering upon and sustaining the work in these and other fields, ~~the~~ meetings that compose Rhode Island Quarter will be greatly strengthened and augmented and the Kingdom of our Lord will thereby be advanced -
We recommend that the work be continued under the care of a committee ~~and~~ that some means be devised for the further support of the work

Respectfully Submitted
A. Edward Kelsey. secy

Providence 5th mo 4th 1898.

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Treasurer's Report

Rec'd from Collections 2nd mo 3rd 1898	49.82
" " Church Extension Committee	25.00
" " R. P. Gifford Treas - Qr Mtg	33.75
	$108.57
Feb 4th Paid to A. E. Kelsey	45.00
Apr 4th Paid to A. E. Kelsey	25.00
" 19th Paid " " "	25.00
Hymn books & quarterlies. W. J. Sayers	2.48
To defray expenses at Warwick	7.00
	104.48
To cash on hand	4.09
	$108.57

Respectfully Submitted
M. Augusta Bailey
Treasurer of Committee.

This meeting is united in reappointing the same committee and they are desired to report to our next meeting.

Charles H. Stalker

We have been blessed at this time with the acceptable company and Gospel services of Charles H. Stalker, a minister of the Gospel from Westfield, Indiana.

List of members of this meeting

The following Friends now stand as members of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight as revised this 3d mo 1st 1898

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers 7. viz Arabella E. Winn, S. Narcissa Beale, James M. Estes, Essie Estes, John S. Kimber Mary E. Kimber, Delia Rees.

Elders 1. viz Susan H. Almy

Associate Members 5 viz Isaac L. Fish, Eunice A. Greene, Robert Wetherell, Joseph S. Anthony, A. M. Kimber

Overseers, Members Ex Officio. 7. viz. Winnifield S. Sisson, Josephine W. Kimber, Lydia Goddard, Frederic Holman, Mary W. Macomber, Hannah C. Borden, Isaac B. Macomber.

Greenwich Monthly Meeting.

Ministers. 6. viz Gulielma Freeborn, E. Anna Tucker, Joseph H. Atwater, A. Edward Kelsey William H. Perry. Harriette D. Collins.

Elders. 7 viz. Catharine Green, Harriet A. Shove, Mary C. Arnold, Joanna Peck, Anna A. Gould, Elizabeth N. Perry, Mary S. Watson. (formerly Collins)

Associate Member 1 viz Ellen M. Atwater.

Overseers, Members Ex. Officio. 2. viz Moses L. Buffinton, Dr. Charles H. Earle.

(Note: So Kingston Monthly Meeting is now discontinued and its members are joined to Greenwich monthly meeting.)

Swansea Monthly Meeting

Ministers. 5. viz. Obadiah Chace, Frank E. Jones, Henry C. Hydelott, Rebecca Anthony Phebe S. Hydelott.
Elders. 9. viz. Esther Chace, Lemuel Chace, Rachel P. Chace, Adaline F. Chace, Sarah J. Macomber, Samuel R. Buffinton, Elizabeth F. Newton Sarah C. Skinner, Herbert A. Skinner.
Overseers. Ex. Officio Members. 13. viz. Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace, Ralph Earle, Frances A. Estes, Emma B. Buffinton, Mary E. Macomber, Henry E. Chace, Simeon W. Luther, Charles E. Dore, Eliza A. Sisson, Jane E. Dore, Phineas D. Fletcher, Ann Maria Fletcher.

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers 3. viz. Phebe R. Gifford, Robert P. Gifford Robert B. Hanson.
Elders 8. viz Ellen K. Buffum Sarah J. Hanson, Susan Peckham, Louisa N. Meader, Hannah P. Ladd, John H. Meader, Thomas J. Batley Valentine Meader.
Associate Members 4 viz Asenath Tellow, Elizabeth C. Capron, Elizabeth A. Gifford, S. Caroline Toby.
Overseers, Ex. Officio Members 4. viz. M. Augusta Batley, Anna A. Meader, Archibald Renfrew, Thomas G. Jackson.

Total Membership — 82

We close this meeting under a sense of thankfulness for the blessings of the Lord so manifestly with us at this time and ~~propose~~ if it be His will, to meet at Newport R. I. at the usual time in 8th month next.

Phebe S. Hydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 3rd. 1898

The accounts from each preparative meeting, except Greenwich which was reported verbally, give the information that the following Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting, viz.

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester. Harry Hayes, Anthony M. Kimber, Josephine W. Kimber.

Greenwich Joseph H. Atwater. E. Anna Tucker.

Swansea Charles Estes, Charles A. Chase. Henry C. Aydelott Phebe S. Aydelott, Obadiah Chace.

Providence Aseneth Tillow, M. Augusta Batty, Thomas J. Batty Robert B. Hanson.

who are present except two.

Sufficient reasons were given for the absence of one.

The queries with the advice following them, were read.

Representatives to Y. Mtg. The Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report they all attended.

The following communication from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting has been read and is directed to be recorded for our information.

Communication from Clerk of Quarterly Meeting

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich Fifth mo 5th 1898 united with R. I. Monthly Mtg in recording Harry Hayes as a Minister of the Gospel, and in the appointment of Anna L. Manchester and Isaac B. Macomber to the station of Elder: with Providence Mo. Mtg in the appointment of Mary H. Sutton to the station of Elder: and with Greenwich Monthly Mtg in the appointment of Moses L. Buffinton and Ellen M. Atwater to the same station,

By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting
Thomas J. Battey. Clerk

The Committee under appointment to consider the needs of the meetings for worship within our limits, presented a report which is very encouraging and satisfactory and is as follows:—

To the Meeting of Ministry and Oversight for Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

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Dear Friends: During the past quarter the Lord has been very gracious to the work under the charge of this committee. Harry Hayes has continued to meet with the Saylesville Friends and the blessing of the Lord is attending his labors there.
Wm. J. Sayers reports from Old Warwick an attendance at the First-day meeting of about twenty and about the same average in the Bible School.
The Lord is watching over the work at Anthony and building up his people there in the most Holy faith. During the summer, open-air meetings are held on alternate First-days. We are sorry to report that for the present it seemed feasible to discontinue the meetings at Tiverton, but there is a prospect of taking up the work there in the near future.
As the Lord's blessing has so manifestly attended the work of this committee in the past, we believe that the word that came to Gods people of old by the prophet Isaiah is especially applicable to us. "Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not: lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."

On Behalf of the Committee
A. Edw. Kelsey Sec'y.

The treasurer of this committee, R. Augusta Bailey reported verbally that there is now about $11.00 in the treasury and about $20.00 is now due in the work. We re-appoint the same committee for three months and it is directed to report to our next meeting.

Mary Nichols We have at this time the acceptable company of Mary Nichols a Minister of the Gospel from Indiana Yearly Meeting.

Having concluded the business relating to this branch of the Church we adjourn to meet in Fall River in Eleventh month next, the Lord permitting

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River Eleventh month, second, eighteen hundred ninety-eigh

Representatives The accounts received from our subordinate meetings report the following Friends as representatives to this meeting: viz

Rhode Island - Effie Estes, Mary W. Macomber, James M. Estes Anthony M. Kimber, Anna L. Manchester, John M. Brownell.

Greenwich - Moses L. Buffinton, A. Edward Kelsey, Joseph H. Atwater, Ellen M. Atwater.

Swansea - Obadiah Chace, Sarah C. Skinner, Samuel R. Buffinton, Esther Chace, Charles A. Chace Henry C. Aydelott.

Providence - Asenath Tellow, Hannah P. Ladd, Robert P. Gifford, Robert B. Hanson.

who are present except three; satisfactory reasons are given for the absence of one.

Queries

The queries with the advice following them have been read at this time.

The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly meeting has been read; viz.

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To R. I. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Dear Friends:

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport R. I. 8th mo 4th 1898 united with Swansea Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Simeon W. Luther to the station of Elder. By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting.

Thomas J. Battey- Clerk.

Isom P.
Wooton + wife
C. H. Jones
nd wife

We have been favored with the acceptable company of Isom P. Wooton a Minister of the Gospel and Marjory E. Wooton an Elder from Iowa Yearly meeting, also Charles H. and H. Elizabeth Jones Ministers of the Gospel from Amesbury Monthly Meeting.

The Gospel labors of these dear friends have been truly edifying and strengthening to us.

Report of
Committee
on meetings

The Committee under appointment (see names in Minutes of 2d mo 2d 1898) to consider the needs of meetings within our limits in places where meetings have not before been continuously held, presented the following report which is encouraging and acceptable to us: viz:

To the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight for Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

Dear Friends: During the past quarter the work of this committee has been carried on along the lines hitherto pursued. One special meeting of the committee was held at Providence to consider the work at Saylesville but at the request of Friends of that meeting it was deemed inadvisable to try to send any one there at present. William Sayers is continuing the work at Warwick. The attendance of the meeting averages 19 and of the Bible School 17. Considerable interest is manifested by the people there. During the past three months the work at Anthony has been blessed by the conversion of several, and two requests for membership are now before the monthly meeting. Our friend P. S. Aydelott spent one First-day there and assisted in the organization of a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society auxiliary with a membership of 17. Active steps are now being taken to reach the young men of the community and it is hoped that ere long these may come forward in the work of the Lord. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of" and hence as members of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight, as we daily pray that our Father's kingdom may come, let us not forget to pray that showers of blessing may visit the waste places where our Master has directed us to labor.

On behalf of the committee.

A. E. Kelsey Secy

The treasurer's report has been read and is satisfactory and is as follows:-

Treasurer's Report

Report of the treasurer of the committee on the needs of subordinate meetings from 8th mo 3d to 11th mo 2d 1898 inclusive.

Receipts

Cash on hand	$11.52
Qr Mtg collection at Newport R.I.	30.00
From Esther Chace	2.00
A Friend	2.00
From R. P. Gifford Treasurer of Qr Mtg	8.75
" " " " " " " "	37.50
Collection at Anthony	2.00
Total	$93.77

Paid A. E. Kelsey	48.60
" William J. Sayers	24.57
Cash in hand	20.60
	$93.77

Respectfully Submitted
M. Augusta Bailey, Treasurer

We unite in the reappointment of the same committee and it is directed to report to the next meeting.

With grateful hearts for the blessings of the Lord upon us we adjourn to meet at Providence in the Second month next if the Lord permit.

P. S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 2nd month 1st 1899.

Representatives By the accounts received from the several subordinate meetings we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are as follows - viz.

Rhode Island - Robert C. Wetherell; Anna L. Manchester; Anthony M. Kimber; Josephine W. Kimber.

reenwich - E. Anna Tucker; Joseph H. Atwater; Ellen M. Atwater; A. Edward Kelsey; Anna Merrill.

wansea - Henry C. Aydelott; Frances A. Estes; Eliza A. Sisson; Charles Estes; Obadiah Chace.

Providence - Hannah P. Ladd; Ellen K. Buffum; Louisa N. Meader; Robert B. Hanson; Robert P. Gifford.

Of these 14 were present and 5 were absent.

Queries The Queries relating to this body and the advices following them have been read which awakened earnest desires for more definite work in the conversion of sinners and the edifying of believers.

Report of Committee on Meetings

The committee appointed in 2nd month 1898 to have the oversight of the needs of meetings within our limits, made a report of their work for the past three months, which is as follows

To the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight for Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

Dear Friends:— During the past quarter, work under the care of this committee has been carried on at Tiverton, Warwick and Anthony. Meetings for worship have been held at Tiverton nearly every first day by Daniel Moore of Swansea. Considerable family visiting has recently been done by Frank E. Jones and Daniel Moore and as a result the interest manifestly is encouraging. The prospect of a permanently established meeting at Warwick was never so bright. The attendance at Bible School and meeting averages between 20 and 30 and several have manifested intentions of joining Friends in the near future. As soon as this is done Greenwich Monthly Meeting will take steps to establish a Preparative Meeting. The interest in the work at Anthony is in a healthy condition. The workers there were recently encouraged by a visit from our Quarterly Meeting Supt of Bible Schools. The Bible School is increasing having had an average attendance of over 40 thus far this year. In connection with the W. F. M. Auxiliary, a Children's Band has been organized which is flourishing beyond all expectations. If the adult members in our church would emulate the example of the children in zeal and harmony, surely the time would hasten when God's kingdom would come and His will would be done on earth as it is in heaven.

It is three years since the first report of this committee and two years since the first regular work was begun. From the very inception of the work the Lord's hand has been manifestly with us, and as we review the past we can but exclaim "What hath God wrought". Wm Carey once said "Expect great things from God, undertake great things for God" Our Father has so abundantly blessed our labors in the past, can we not by faith launch out into the deep and let down our nets for a multitude of fishes? "According to your faith be it unto you," and if R. I. quarterly meeting would lay hold of Gods promises by faith and demonstrate its faith by its works it could truly be said of us "The glory of this latter house will be greater than the former."

On behalf of the Committee
A. Edward Kelsey. Sec'y

Providence R. I. 2d mo 1st 1899

Treasurer's Report

The following is the report of the treasurer of this committee from 11th mo 3d 1898 to 2d mo 1st 1899

Receipts

11th mo 3d	Balance	$20.60
" "	Collection at Fall River	25.01
" 4th	From E. K. Buffum	9.00
1st mo 1st 99	From Thos Wood Treasurer Church Extension Board	25.00
		$79.61

Payments

To W. J. Sayers	17.00
" A. E. Kelsey	59.61
Returned Loan	2.00
Balance	1.00
	$79.61

Respectfully submitted
M. Augusta Battey - Treasurer.

Outstanding obligations now $34.00

These are very acceptable and encouraging to us.
This meeting concludes to entrust the care of this important work to the following Friends to serve as a committee for the ensuing year with the request that a report of the condition of the meetings be
Names of Committee presented every three months - viz.
Charles A. Chace M. Augusta Batty
Sarah J. Hanson Susan Peckham Alice C. Earle
E. Anna Tucker Hannah P. Ladd Joseph H Atwater
A. Edward Kelsey Frank E. Jones Thomas Y. Jackson
Robert C. Wetherell Edward Ayler Mary W. Macomber.

Concluding Minute The business of the meeting has been accomplished in much harmony and words of counsel warning and encouragement have been given, we believe, in the power of the Spirit of God. Under a sense of our responsibility to fulfil the whole will of the Lord in the service to which we have been called, we adjourn to meet in Greenwich at the usual time in 5th mo next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott - Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at E. Greenwich 5th mo 3d 1899
By the accounts received from each of the four subordinate meetings we learn that the following Friends are representatives to this meeting - viz.
Rhode Island Effie Estes, Anna L. Manchester, Josephine W. Kimber Mary A. Sherman, Harriet A. Edgar Jas. M. Estes.
Greenwich Joseph Atwater, Anna Merrill, Ellen M. Atwater, A. Edward Kelsey.
Swansea Henry C. Aydelott. Phebe S. Aydelott Obadiah Chace Adaline F. Chace Esther Chace Frank E. Jones.

Providence Sarah J. Hanson, Elizabeth A. Gifford
Louisa A. Meader Robert P. Gifford.

Whose names being called 16 were present and 4 were absent.

Appoint-ment of Clerk. The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed, Obadiah Chace on behalf of the representatives proposed Phebe S. Aydelott for Clerk which is united with by the meeting and she is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Queries The queries and accompanying advice, together with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read and considered and a summary of these answers has been prepared and approved which is directed to be forwarded with other information from our records, to the ensuing Yearly meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Portland, Maine, by our representatives who are appointed as follows: –

Represent=atives Robert P. Gifford. Obadiah Chace. Susan Peckham
Adaline F. Chase. Ellen K. Buffum. Charles A. Chace.
Evie Estes. Joseph H. Atwater.

Summary of Answers to Queries

Ans. 1st We are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and are careful to promote the attendance of our families with some exception in one meeting.

Ans. 2d We are in unity one with another, and with the meetings to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ.

Ans. 3d We are diligent in searching the Holy Scriptures in the prayerful spirit queried after, and are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

All of our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.
The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting has been read- viz.

To Rhode Island quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight:

Dear Friends.

Information from Quarterly Meeting

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Providence R.I. 2d. mo 2d. 1899 united with Providence Monthly Meeting in the appointment of M. Augusta Battey to the station of Elder, and in the appointment of Elizabeth C. Capron, S. Caroline Tobey, Asenath Tetlow, Elizabeth A. Gifford and Willis H. White as associate members of your meeting for two years. This meeting also united with Rhode Island monthly meeting in the appointment of the following named persons as associate members for two years viz- Joseph S. Anthony Anthony M. Kimber, James B. Teedson, Sophie Pierce, William Holt; Josiah Albro, Mary A. Sherman, Harriet A. Edgar, William Weaver, William A. Beal, Isaac L. Fish, Annie Fish, Edward B. Ayler. Laura A. Orswell, Anna B. Macomber. G. Mason Chace and Elwood G. Macomber

Thomas J. Battey. Clerk.

The committee appointed to have the oversight of meetings within our limits needing pastoral care, presented the following report of service for the past three months which is very satisfactory and encouraging to us. much appreciation being expressed of the faithful work of this committee.

Report of Committee on care of meetings

To the meeting on Ministry and Oversight for Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

Dear Friends: During the past quarter the work at Anthony, Warwick, and Tiverton has been carefully followed up although the attendance at each meeting has been smaller than usual because of unfavorable weather. At Tiverton there is considerable interest manifested and prospects seem to be encouraging. By four requests from Warwick and the removal by certificate of Wm. J. Sayers to Greenwich Monthly meeting there appears to be a nucleus for a preparative meeting at that place in the near future. The meeting at Anthony has received two acquisitions in membership recently. Although a good work is going on in that meeting we feel that it is a time when it especially needs the prayers of the entire Quarterly meeting. The sub-committees appointed to look over the fields at Cumberland Scituate and South Kingston report that they have been unable to do anything thus far.

As we are now entering upon a part of the year when we can reasonably expect fair weather, we would call the attention of Friends throughout the quarterly meeting to the opportunities for visiting the weaker meetings. By so doing we believe the work in the entire quarter will be strengthened and the cause of our Master advanced. On account of the illness and absence of our treasurer the committee is unable to present a financial statement at this time, but the needs of the work are such that we recommend that a collection be taken in the quarterly meeting to aid in carrying on this work.

In behalf of the committee

A. Edward Kelsey Sec'y

East Greenwich 5th month 3d 1899.

List of members of this meeting.

The following is the list of members of this meeting as revised to 3^{d} mo 1^{st} 1899

Rhode Island monthly meeting

Ministers 7. viz: Annabella E. Winn; Delia Rees; John Shober Kimber; Mary E. Kimber; S. Narcissa Beale; James M. Estes; Epie Estes.

Elders 2. viz: Anna L. Manchester; Isaac B. Macomber;

Associate Members 17 viz: Joseph S. Anthony; Anthony M. Kimber; James B. Tredson; Sophie Pierce; William Holt; Josiah Albro; Mary A. Sherman; Harrie A. Edgar; William Weaver; William H. Beale; Isaac L. Fish; Annie Fish; Edward B. Aegler; Laura A. Oswell Anna B. Macomber; G. Mason Chace; Ellwood G. Macomber

Overseers, members ex-officio. 8 viz, Frederick Holman; John M. Brunnell; Mary W. Macomber; Hannah C. Borden; Winfield S. Sisson; Robert C. Wetherell; Josephine W. Kimber; Lydia Goddard. Total 34

Greenwich monthly meeting.

Ministers 5 viz: William H. Perry; Gulielma Freeborn E. Anna Tucker; Joseph H. Atwater; A. Edward Kelsey.

Elders 7 viz Catharine Green; Mary C. Arnold; Anna A. Gould; Elizabeth N. Perry; Mary S. Watson; Moses L. Buffinton; Ellen M. Atwater.

Ex-officio members 3 viz Charles H. Earle; George Mattey; Sarah Carpenter. Total 15

Swansea monthly meeting.

Ministers 5 viz: Obadiah Chace; Frank E. Jones; Rebecca Anthony; Henry C. Hydelott; Phebe S. Hydelott.

Elders 9 viz - Esther Chace Lemuel Chace; Rachel P. Chace; Adaline F. Chace; Samuel P. Buffinton; Elizabeth S. Newlin; Sarah C. Skinner Herbert A. Skinner; Simeon W. Luther.

Overseers, members ex-officio. 16. viz - Charles Estes; Charles A. Chace; Ralph Earle; Frances A. Estes; Emma B. Buffinton; E. Anna Earle; Henry E. Chace;

Robert A. Lawton; Charles E. Dore; Jane E. Dore;
Eliza A. Lisson; Marianna Gifford; Phineas D. Fletcher;
Ann Maria Fletcher; Thomas A. Briggs Nancy A. Chace.
Total 30

Providence monthly meeting.

Ministers 3, viz: Phebe R. Gifford Robert P. Gifford
Robert B. Hanson.

Elders 10, viz: Ellen K. Buffum; Sarah J. Hanson;
Susan Peckham; Louisa N. Meader; Hannah P. Ladd;
Mary H. Sutton; M. Augusta Batty; John H. Meader;
Thomas J. Batty; Valentine E. Meader.

Associate members 5. viz: Elizabeth C. Capron; Asenath
Tetlow; S. Caroline Tobey; Elizabeth A. Gifford; Willis H.
White

Overseers, members ex-officio 3. viz Anna A. Meader;
Thomas S. Jackson; James G. Sisson. Total 21

Total membership of this meeting is 100

Having harmoniously accomplished the business
coming before us, we adjourn to meet at Newport R. I.
in 8th month next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport, R. I. 8th month 2nd 1899.

By the accounts received from the subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends
Representatives have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives - viz - James M. Estes Mary W.
Rhode Island - Mesmer: Mary E. Kimber; Joseph S. Anthony.
Greenwich - Alice E. Card; Joseph E. Alvater; E. Anna Tucker; Ellen M. Alvater; Mary E. Arnold.
Swansea - Obadiah Chace; Phebe S. Aydelott. Samuel R. Buffinton; Adaline F. Chace; Esther Chace; Frank E. Jones:
Providence - Susan Peckham; Louisa A. Meader; Robert S. Hanson and Robert P. Gifford

These being called 15 were present and 4 were absent.

Queries The queries with the advice following them have been read.

Representatives to Y. Mtg The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report they attended except one.

The committee under appointment to have the oversight of the subordinate meetings within our limits which need special care, has presented its quarterly report which is very encouraging to us. The committee is encouraged to press forward in strengthening work already begun, and to take up work in new places as the Lord may direct. The report is as follows:—

Report of Committee To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight

Dear Friends:

Although we may not be able to report as much of apparent advance as at some meetings, we feel the Lord's blessing is attending the work of the Quarterly Meeting through this committee. The work at-

Warwick is still prospering through the labors of William J. Sayers. Four new members have joined that meeting since our last report. The efficient labors of A. Edward Kelsey is much missed at Anthony but the work still goes on successfully under the care of Joseph H. Atwater and wife assisted by Byron Saulsbury and others. Daniel Morse has labored faithfully at Tiverton until the last few weeks when he felt obliged to resign the position on account of sickness in his family, and Elwood Wheeler of Bolton is taking up the service there. Thomas Ingram of Anthony has attended the Saylesville meeting for the last three months and the committee encourage him to continue his work there for the present. There is a small amount of money left in our treasury which is more than covered by obligations already incurred, and more money is required to carry on the work which [illegible] undertaken.

On behalf of the committee to help our subordinate meetings.

C. A. Chace Chairman

Newport R. I. 8th mo 2d 1899

Richard H. Thomas

We have been favored at this time with the acceptable company and gospel services of our brother Richard H. Thomas a minister of the Gospel from Baltimore Yearly Meeting.

Record books

The following information has been given by the clerk of this meeting in regard to its records which is directed to be placed on our minutes.

There are at this date four record-books of this meeting in the Safe in the meeting-house at East Greenwich R. I.

The earliest record book runs from 7th month 3d 1701 to 7th month 14th 1769
The second book runs from 10th month 13th 1769 to 12th month 10th 1803
The third book runs from 1st mo 11th 1804 to 10th 31st 1832
The fourth book runs from 2d month 1st 1833, to 2d month 4th 1874

We have been instructed through the faithful ministry of the word, and our responsibility as members of the church of Jesus Christ seems very great in view of the needs of the world about us. We desire to fulfil the purpose of the Lord in whatever service He appoints. Under this feeling we adjourn to meet in Fall River at the usual time in 11th month next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River Mass. 11th month 1st 1899.

The accounts received from each of the subordinate meetings inform that the following Friends have been appointed as representatives to this meeting, viz

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester Laura A. Orswell
Isaac B. Mumner Joseph S. Anthony
Greenwich George C. Atwater Ellen M. Atwater
Joseph H. Atwater E. Anna Tucker

wansea Samuel R. Buffinton, Sarah C. Skinner, Esther Chace, Marianna Gifford, Elizabeth S. Newton Obadiah Chace.

Providence Sarah J. Hanson Susan Peckham Louisa N. Meader Robert P. Gifford and Robert B. Hanson

whose names being called 15 were present and 4 were absent.

The queries with the advices following them have been read.

nformation from the lerk of quarterly meeting.

The following information has been received from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting, viz.

"To the quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Rhode Island quarterly meeting held at Newport 8th mo 1st 1899 united with Greenwich monthly meeting in recording as Ministers of the Gospel our dear young friends Thomas J. Ingram and William J. Sayers.

Taken from the minutes of said meeting.

Robert P. Gifford. Clerk for the day".

Report of ommittee n care of meetings

The committee having the oversight of such of our subordinate meetings as stand in need of special care presented the following report which is very satisfactory showing as it does no diminution of interest among those who minister and those who are ministered unto.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to be held in 11th month 1899

Your committee on the needs of small meetings report the work is going on with unabated interest. The meeting at Anthony is doing well under the care of Joseph H. Atwater and wife assisted by Eva Pennington. At Old Warwick the work is still under the care of W. J. Sayers. While there are some things to discourage he is full of faith and earnestness.

Thomas Ingram is still at Saylesville and is doing all in his power to advance the cause. F. E. Jones has attended the meeting for the past six weeks. A Junior Christian Endeavor Society has just been formed there. Another field of labor has opened at Maplewood in the suburbs of Fall River which is largely under the care of William J. Sayers. This we hope will result in a flourishing Friends' meeting. Other places are under our notice but way has not yet opened to enter actively into them. F. E. Jones, Sec'y of Com^tee

The treasurer of this committee reported as follows-

Receipts

1898		
11th. 3d "	On hand	20.60
" "	Collection at Fall River	25.01
" 4th "	E. K. Buffum	9.00
1899 1-1st "	Thomas Wood, Treasurer of Church Ex Board	25.00
2-1st "	Collection at Providence	46.81
3-1st "	A Friend	1.00
—	Thomas Wood Treasurer C. Ex	25.00
—	Robert P. Gifford " 2w Mtg	37.50
5-3d "	Collection at Newport	4.74
5-4	" " Greenwich	28.21
8-3	" " Newport	39.00
	From a friend	17.65
		$279.52

Amount Expended

To W. J. Sayers 11 mos services	91.99
" A. E. Kelsey from 11-4-'98 to 6-6-'99	156.20
" W. J. Sayers 7mo 99 (C. A. Chace)	8.33
" Byron Saulsbury	10.00
	266.52

Balance in the treasury $13.00

M. Augusta Bailey Treasurer
per L. J. B.

The thought ~~that has been~~ emphasized throughout the service of this meeting has been that the church for which our Lord Jesus Christ shed His blood **must** be pure and holy and be delivered from all bondage, that the world may know that the Father hath sent the Son for our redemption and sanctification.

With an earnest desire that the divine will and purpose may be fulfilled in and through us, we adjourn to meet in Providence at the usual time previous to the quarterly meeting in 2nd month next.

Phebe S. Aydelott — Clerk -

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 1st month 31st 1900

The accounts received from our subordinate meetings

Representatives report the following Friends as representatives to this meeting, viz -

Rhode Island Josephine H. [illegible] Edward B. Taylor
Isaac B. Macomber Eric Estes.

Greenwich George E. Mattley Joseph H. Atwater Lydia E. Drinkwater and Mercy Ann Taylor

Swansea Herbert A. Skinner, Esther Chace Henry C. Aydelott - Obadiah Chace and Samuel R. Buffinton

Providence Hannah P. Ladd Ellen L. Buffum Sarah [illegible] Hanson and Robert P. Gifford

Of these 12 were present and 5 were absent -

Queries The queries and advices have all been read

Information from the quarterly meeting.

The following information has been received from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting: viz -

To the meeting on Ministry and Oversight for Rhode Island quarterly meeting -

You are hereby informed that Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends held at Fall River 11th mo 2d 1899 united with Greenwich monthly meeting in the appointment of John Babcock Mary P. Babcock, Mary Anna Gould and Elvira M. Perry to the station of Elder

Thomas J. Battey Clerk

Report of Committee on small meetings

The committee having the oversight of such of our subordinate meeting as stand in need of special assistance and encouragement have presented a report which is very satisfactory to us and is as follows: -

To Rhode Island quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Your committee on needs of small meetings have striven to attend to their duty and report as follows. The meeting at Anthony is maintaining a good degree of interest. James Clemence has been attending that meeting the past few weeks. His labors in connection with brother and sister Stander have been appreciated. There are some encouraging signs in the work at Saylesville. At Warwick work continues to be increasing in interest. New horse sheds have been recently built. The work at Tiverton is still moving forward. A junior Christian Endeavor Society has been organized with about 30 members also a senior Christian Endeavor, and five names have been sent in to the monthly meeting to become members.

For the committee
Frank E. Jones. Sec'y.

The report of the Treasurer of the aforesaid committee has been read to our satisfaction and is as follows:—

Receipts

1899 11mo 3d	Balance on hand	$13.00
" "	Collection at Fall River	36.25
		$49.25

Expenditures

1899 11 - 3d	For Eva Pennington at Anthony	5.00
11 - 24	" William J. Sayers at Warwick	16.68
1900 1 - 25	" " " " " "	16.68
		$38.36
	Balance on hand	10.89

M. Augusta Battey, Treasurer.

The time having expired for which this committee is appointed, the meeting concludes to entrust the care of this important work among our small meetings to the following Friends to serve as a committee for the ensuing year with the request that a report of the condition of the meetings be presented every three months, viz —
Charles A. Chace, M. Augusta Battey, Joseph H. Atwater Sarah J. Hanson, Susan Peckham Alice C. Earle, E. Anna Tucker, Hannah P. Ladd, Frank E. Jones, Thomas J. Jackson, Robert C. Wetherell, Edward Ayler, Mary W. Macomber Thomas J. Battey and James G. Seaton.

This meeting has been edified with words of counsel and encouragement which have been as cold water to the thirsty soul. With thankfulness for these blessings we adjourn to meet in East Greenwich at the usual time in Fifth month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th month 2d 1908

Representatives By accounts received from the several subordinate meetings we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are as follows - viz:

Rhode Anna L. Manchester Josephine W. Kimber,
Island Isaac B. Macomber, James M. Estes, Eppie Estes.
Greenwich Joseph H. Atwater, Ellen M. Atwater, Carrie G.
Buffinton, E. Anna Tucker, Hannah Merrill and
Ellen Lockwood
Swansea Frank E. Jones, Esther Chace, Phebe S. Aydelott and
Charles A. Chace.
Providence Ellen K. Buffum, Susan Peckham,
Louisa N. Meader, and Robert B. Hanson

whose names being called 14 were present and 5 were absent.

Appointment of Clerk The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed Robert B. Hanson on behalf of the representatives proposed the re-appointment of Phebe S. Aydelott for Clerk which is united with by the meeting and she is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Queries and answers, The queries and accompanying advice, together with required answers from each of our subordinate meetings have been read and considered. A summary of these answers has been prepared and approved which is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Newport by our representatives who are appointed as follows:

Representatives. Ellen K. Buffum, Isaac B. Macomber,

Robert P. Gifford, Sarah J. Hanson, James M. Estes,
Thomas S. Jackson, Phebe S. Aydelott, E. Annah Tucker;

All of our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.
The committee appointed to have the spiritual oversight of the smaller meetings within our limits especially in places where old meeting-houses have been re-opened, has reported for the past three months as follows, which is very satisfactory.

Report of Committee on smaller meetings

To the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held 5th mo 2d 1900 at East Greenwich.

Your committee on re-opening closed meeting-houses and helping small meetings reports as follows — At Warwick Joseph Hiller has been laboring faithfully the past quarter. The Lord's blessing seems to be attending his labors.
The meetings at Tiverton have been kept up and two new members have been received.
At Saylesville and Anthony the work has been going on about the same as last quarter.

For the committee
Frank E. Jones.

reasurer's report

The report of the treasurer has been read and is acceptable and is as follows: —

Receipts

1900 st mo 30	Balance on hand	10.89	
" 1	Collection at Providence	29.00	
			39.89

Payments

d mo 13	J. H. Atwater for Eva J. Pennington at Anthony	5.00	
" 26	F. E. Jones for Tiverton	9.00	
" 26	Daniel Moore	12.70	
" 27	William J. Sayers	2.67	
			29.37
	Balance in treasury		10.52

M. Augusta Balley Treasurer Per T. J. B.

The following is the summary of the answers to the queries.

1st

Summary Answers

With little exception we are diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and careful to promote the attendance of our families.

2d

Nearly all our members are in unity one with another and with the meetings to which they belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering to Christ.

3d

We believe our members are frequent in searching the Holy Scriptures and prayerfully seek a right understanding of them under the enlightening influence of the Holy Spirit and are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

Information from clerk of quarterly meeting.

The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting has been read, viz–

To the meeting on ministry and Oversight for R. I. quarterly meeting.

This is to inform that Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends held at Providence 2 mo 1st 1900 united with Swansea monthly meeting in the appointment of Nancy A. H. Chace to the station of Elder, and with Providence monthly meeting in recognizing and recording the gift in the ministry of Thomas G. Jackson
By direction and on behalf of the aforesaid meeting
Thomas J. Battey Clerk.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3rd month 1st 1900.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 7 viz. Annabella E. Winn. S. Narcissa Beale, Delia Rees, James M. Estes, Exie Estes, John Shober Kimber, Mary E. Kimber.

Elders 2 viz Anna L. Manchester, Isaac B. Macomber,

Associate Members. 17 viz- Joseph S. Anthony, William H. Beale, Anthony M. Kimber, James B. Teedson Sophia Pierce, William Holt, Josiah Albro. Mary A. Sherman, Harriet A. Edgar, William Weaver. Isaac L. Fish, Annie Fish, Edward B. Ayler, Laura A. Orswell, Anna B. Macomber, F. Mason Chace, Ellwood G. Macomber.

Members ex-officio 8 viz Hannah E. Borden, John M. Brownell, Richard K. Macomber, Fred W. Holman Alfred H. Cornell, Robert C. Wetherell, Josephine W. Kimber, Lydia Goddard. Total 34

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers 6 viz- William E. Perry, Gulielma Freeborn, Joseph H. Atwater, E. Annah Tucker, William J. Sayers, Thomas J. Ingram.

Elders 11 viz- Catharine Green, Mary E. Arnold, Moses L. Buffinton, Ellen M. Atwater, Anna A. Gould, Mary S. Watson, Elizabeth N. Perry, John Babcock, Mary P. Babcock, Mary A. Gould, Elvira M. Perry.

Associate members. 7 viz: Byron O. Salisbury, Charlotte Alexander, Sarah Ann Ingram, Mercy Ann Taylor, Alice C. Earle, Eva Matley, Lydia E. Drinkwater.

Members Ex-officio. 7 viz: George E. Matley, Sarah M. Carpenter, George E. Alexander, Carrie G. Buffinton, Anna Merrill, Mary H. Weeden, Ellen Lockwood. 31

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers. 4 viz: Phebe R. Gifford, Robert P. Gifford, Robert B. Hanson, Thomas Y. Jackson.

Elders. 10 viz: Ellen K. Buffum, Sarah J. Hanson, Susan Peckham, Louisa N. Meader, Hannah P. Ladd, Mary H. Sutton, M. Augusta Bailey John H. Meader, Thomas J. Bailey, Valentine C. Meader.

Associate Members 5 viz: Elizabeth C. Capron Asenath Tetlow, S. Caroline Tobey, Elizabeth H. Gifford, Willis H. White.

Members Ex-officio. 2 viz: James G. Tetlow. Anna A. Meader. Total 21

Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Ministers. 5, viz: Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott, Rebecca Anthony, Phebe S. Aydelott Frank E. Jones.

Elders. 10, viz: Esther Chace, Samuel R. Buffin Elizabeth S. Newton, Lemuel Chace, Simeon H. Luther, Adaline F. Chace, Sarah C. Skinner, Rachel P. Chace, Herbert A. Skinner, Nancy A. H. Chace.

Members Ex-officio. 15, viz: Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace, Ralph Earle, Henry E. Chace, Robert A. Lawton, Charles E. Dore, Jane E. Dore, Phineas D. Fletcher, Thomas A. Briggs, Frances A. Estes, Emma B. Buffinton, E. Anna Earle, Eliza A. Sisson, Marianna Gifford, Ann Maria Fletcher. 30

Total membership 116

Having satisfactorily accomplished the business coming before us, we adjourn to meet at Newport R. I. at the usual time in 8th mo next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport R. I. 8th month 1st 1900

By the accounts received from our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends are representatives to this meeting, viz:

Rhode Island — Fred W. Holman Osmond J. Hoffman Alfred H. Cornell Josephine H. Kinder. Anna L. Manchester.

Greenwich — E. Annah Tucker. Joseph H. Atwater. Byron P. Salisbury Ellen M. Atwater. Alice C. Earle.

Swansea — Henry C. Aydelott, Esther Chace, Phebe S. Aydelott, Samuel R. Buffinton, Elizabeth S. Sutton.

Providence — Sarah J. Hanson, Ellen K. Buffum Robert E. Gifford Robert B. Hanson

Of these 17 were present and 2 were absent

Queries — The queries and accompanying advice have been read at this time.

Representa-ives to Y. Mtg on Ministry and Oversight — The representatives from this meeting to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that they attended except one.

Report of Committee — The committee appointed on the needs of those meetings within our limits where meetinghouses long closed have been reopened, hereby present a report which is acceptable — viz:

To Rhode Island quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Newport -

Your committee on opening closed meeting houses and helping small meetings report as follows: We have been mindful of our duty and some work has been done.

The work at Anthony is still prosperous. The work at Warwick is continued and interest sustained. At Tiverton the work though small is strong. A mid-week prayer meeting is maintained also a Christian Endeavor meeting is held Sabbath evening without the aid of the committee. Our treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of $42.65

For the committee
Frank E. Jones -

Report of the treasurer for the quarter ending 8th mo 1st 1900

Balance on hand at last report		10.52
Collection at East Greenwich		30.37
From quarterly meeting appropriation		50.00
		90.89
From which deduct as follows -		
To Frank Jones	7.80	
Appropriation to Daniel Moore	20.00	
C. A. Chase for janitor & coal at Tiverton	13.44	
J. H. Atwater carriage hire to Warwick	2.00	
To expenses of J. Renfrew	5.00	48.24
Balance on hand 8th mo 1st 1900		$42.65

M. Augusta Bailey Treasurer
per F. J. B.

We gratefully acknowledge the presence of the Holy spirit presiding over this assembly and directing its business. and we now adjourn to meet in Fall River at the usual time before the quarterly meeting in 11th month next, if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 10th month 31st 1900

By the accounts received from our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends are representatives to this meeting. viz:

Rhode Island Lydia A. Goddard. Josephine W. Kimber, Eva Estes. Isaac B. Macomber. Delia Rees, Osborn J. Hoffman
Greenwich E. Annah Tucker. Joseph H. Atwater. Alice C. Dale
Mercy Ann Taylor Ellen M. Atwater.
Swansea Herbert A. Skinner. Sarah C. Skinner. Esther Chace
Charles A. Chace. Henry C. Aydelott Cordelia Chace
Providence Ellen K. Buffum Hannah P. Ladd. Robert B. Hanson
and Robert P. Gifford

Of these 19 were present and 2 were absent.

The Queries and accompanying advices have been read at this time.

The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island Quarterly meeting has been read. viz:

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

This may certify that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Newport 5th mo 2d 1900 united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in recognizing and recording the gift in the ministry of Byron O. Salisbury.

By direction of the meeting aforesaid
Thomas J. Battey. Clerk.

A communication from the clerk of the Yearly Meeting
Minute of on Ministry and Oversight has been read
Yearly Mtg directing that the Minute of that meeting as
on Minis printed in the Yearly Meeting Minutes for 1900 on
& Oversight page 48 be read in this and in its subordinate mtgs.
to be read. In accordance with this advice the Minute aforesaid has been read to our edification and profit.

The committee under appointment to have the care of re-opening meeting-houses and of the meetings held therein have presented their report which is interesting and satisfactory to us and is as follows:-

"To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Fall River 10th mo 31st 1900.

Your Committee on needs of meetings
Report and opening closed meeting-houses present their
of quarterly report as follows: - The meeting at Anthony
Committee continues about the same. James Renfrew has labored there acceptably in connection with J. Atwater and wife since our last report. At East Greenwich some more interest is manifest. E. Annah Tucker being more at liberty has been blessed. One new member has been received. During the past month

the interest at Tiverton has been increasing. At Warwick brother Hillar has been labring faithfully the past three months. The Committee suggest that a collection be taken for the work.

For the Comtee F. E. Jones Sec'y.

The following is the report of the treasurer of the committee which is approved by this meeting.

Treasurer's report

Receipts

Balance on hand 8th mo 2d 1900	$42.65
Collection at quarterly meeting at Newport	20.10
Total —	$62.75

Expendatures

To E. Annah Tucker for E. Pennington	4.00
" F. E. Jones (expenses at Tiverton)	7.00
" J. H. Atwater for J. Renfrew's exp's	7.20
" E. Annah Tucker	10.00
" O. F. Hambly (books at Tiverton)	5.00
	33.20
Balance on hand 10th mo 31st 1900	29.55

M. A. Batty Treasurer

per T. J. B.

Our business being satisfactorily disposed of we now adjourn proposing to meet at Providence at the usual time in 2d month next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk -

At Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence Second month 6th 1901

By the accounts received from our subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends are representatives to this meeting, - viz -

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester, Osborne J. Hoffman, Mary E. Kimber, James M. Estes, Eppie Estes.

Greenwich Joseph H. Atwater, E. Annah Tucker, Lydia E. Drinkwater, Ellen M. Atwater, Anna Merrill.

Swansea Henry C. Aydelott, Esther Chace, Obadiah Chace Charles A. Chace, Phebe S. Aydelott

Providence Louisa N. Meader, Ellen K. Buffum, Robert P. Gifford Robert B. Hanson. Of these 16 were present and 3 absent for which sufficient reasons were given.

Clerk for the day The clerk being absent, the meeting united in the appointment of Robert P. Gifford as clerk for the day.

Queries The queries and accompanying advice have been read. ~~at this time~~

Information from clerk of the quarterly meeting. The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting has been read at this time - viz.

To the Clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight:

This may certify that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting at its session in Fall River held 11th month 7th 1900 united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in recognizing and recording the gift in the ministry of Alice C. Earle, with Prov. Monthly Meeting in the same action respecting Thomas J. Battey, and with Swansea Monthly Meeting in their appointment of Esther M. Davis as associate member of the meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

By direction of the meeting aforesaid.

Thomas J. Battey, Cler

Report of Committee on Small meetings

The following report from the committee appointed to reopen closed meeting-houses and to aid smaller meetings was read, and satisfaction and encouragement were expressed in connection therewith, viz:-

Providence 2nd mo 6th 1901

To R. Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Your committee appointed to aid small meetings or open closed houses reports as follows. The meeting at Anthony is still prospering. James Renfrew has aided in the work the past quarter. At Warwick the work has received careful attention and we feel it should be continued.. The work at Tiverton is encouraging. John S. Kimber has assumed charge of the work until 4th month.

For the committee, Frank E. Jones.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer of the committee reports as follows:-

Balance on hand 11th mo 1st 1900	29.55	
Collection at Fall River	31.00	
	$60.55	
Paid E. Annah Tucker as appropriated	$20.00	
" F. E. Jones (Tiverton)	5.00	
" J. H. Atwater for J. Renfrew	6.00	$31.00
Balance on hand		29.55

Respectfully submitted

M. Augusta Batty Treasurer

Providence 2nd mo 6th 1901

This meeting is united in the appointment of the following committee to have the care of this service for the ensuing year and they are requested to report quarterly as before viz Charles A. Chace, E. Annah Tucker, Mary E. Kimber, John S. Kimber,

Susan Peckham, Sarah J. Hanson, Frank E. Jones, Hannah P. Ladd, Thomas J. Battey, Osborne J. Hoffman, Joseph H. Atwater, Thomas S. Jackson, Alice C. Earle, Henry C. Aydelott, H. Emma Skinner, Elvira M. Perry and M. Augusta Battey.

With thankful hearts to our Heavenly Father for His mercies continued to us, we now conclude, proposing by Divine permission to meet at the usual time in East Greenwich in 5th month next.

Robert P. Gifford Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th month 1st 1901

By accounts received from our subordinate meetings we learn that the representatives to this meeting are as follows:—

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester, Angie Kaul, James M. Estes, Isaac B. Macomber

Greenwich Joseph H. Atwater, E. Annah Tucker, Anna Merrill, Carrie G. Buffinton, Lydia E. Drinkwater, Alice C. Earle, Ellen M. Atwater, Moses Buffinton,

Swansea Obadiah Chace, Samuel R. Buffinton, Esther Chace Phebe S. Aydelott, Frank E. Jones

Providence Ellen K. Buffum, Susan Peckham, Anna B. Mead Robert B. Hanson, Robert P. Gifford.

of these 18 were present and 4 were absent.

Queries and answers — The queries and accompanying advices together with the required answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read and considered. A summary of these answers has been prepared and approved and is directed to be forwarded with other information to the ensuing Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Portland. Maine. by our representatives who are appointed as follows - viz: Henry C. Aydelott. Osborne J. Hoffman. Anna L. Manchester. C. Annah Tucker. Robert P. Gifford. Obadiah Chace. Alice C. Earle. Frank C. Jones. Susan Peckham. Lydia C. Drinkwater. and Joseph H. Atwater.

Representatives.

Summary of answers to the queries

Answer 1st. We are with little exception diligent in attending our meetings for worship and discipline and careful to promote the attendance of our families.

Answer 2d. We are in unity one with another and with the meeting to which we belong, harmoniously laboring together in gathering unto Christ.

Answer 3d. We are engaged frequently in searching the Holy Scriptures in the prayerful spirit queried after and are careful not to misquote or misapply them.

All of our meetings have been regularly held during the past year.

The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting has been read - viz -

Information from Clerk of quarterly meeting

To Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight:

Dear friends: This may certify that Rhode Island quarterly meeting held at Providence R. I. 2nd month, 7th 1901 united with the following appointments as associate members of the mtg. on Ministry and Oversight:

From Providence monthly meeting — Elizabeth C. Capron Asenath Tetlow, L. Caroline Tobey, Elizabeth A. Gifford Abbie A. Corey and Willis H. White.

From Swansea — Luella E. Jones.

Thomas J. Battey Clerk of R. Island quarterly meeting.

Report of Committee

The quarterly report of the committee appointed to open closed meeting houses and to aid smaller meetings has been presented to our satisfaction and they are advised and encouraged to seek out the needy fields within our limits and also to open Bible schools wherever practicable. The report is as follows.

"To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Greenwich 5th month 1st 1901

Your committee on aiding small meetings and opening closed houses reports as follows: The work at Anthony has been successfully going forward James Renfrew has aided Joseph E. Atwater and wife in the work. The meeting at Warwick is still doing well. Joseph Hiller and others have aided in the work. The work at Tiverton has been blessed during the past quarter under the care of John S. Kimber. The committee desire that a collection be taken in the quarterly meeting and that all pray earnestly that the coming quarter may be still more prosperous.

For the Committee. Frank E. Jones. Secy

Report of Treasurer

Report of Treasurer of Committee

Receipts

3d mo 6th 1901	Balance on hand	$29.55
	Collection at Providence	43.30
		$72.85

Expenditures

2d mo 7th 1901	
To B. S. Albert for coal and wood at Tiverton	$5.70
" F. E. Jones travelling expenses to Tiverton	4.00
" Essie Estes " " " "	3.35
" J. H. Atwater " " of worker at Anthony	7.80
2d mo 18th	
Expenses for gospel work at Greenwich & Warwick	12.00
3d mo 22d 1901 " " " " " " "	10.00
	$42.85
5th month 1st 1901 Balance on hand	30.00

Respectfully submitted

M. Augusta Batty. Treasurer

Providence 4th mo 30th 1901

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3d month 1st 1901.

List of members.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers: — Annabella E. Winn. S. Narcissa Beale John Shober Kimber. James M. Estes. Essie Estes. Mary E. Kimber. Delia Rees. Osborne J. Hoffman. 8

Elders: Anna L. Manchester. Isaac B. Macomber. Mabel M. Hoffman 3

Overseers: Hannah E. Borden. John H. Brownell. Richard R. Macomber. Frederick W. Holman Laura A. Boswell. Alfred H. Cornell. Robert E. Wetherell. Angeline L. Kaull. Lydia A. Goddard. 9

Total 20

Greenwich Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: E. Annah Tucker. William B. Perry. Joseph H. Atwater. Byron O. Salisbury. Alice E. Earle. 5

Elders: Catharine Green. Mary S. Arnold Moses L. Buffinton. Ellen M. Atwater. Elizabeth N. Perry. Anna A. Gould. Mary J. Watson. John Babcock. Mary P. Babcock. Mary Anne Gould Elvira N. Perry. 11

Associate Members: Mary Ann Sayles Eva Malley 2

Overseers: Anna Merrill. Mary W. Weeden. Ellen Lockwood. Sarah M. Carpenter. George E. Malley Carrie G. Buffinton. 6

Total 24

Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: Obadiah Chace. Henry E. Aydelott. Rebecca Anthony. Phebe J. Aydelott. Frank E. Jones. William J. Sayers. 6

Elders: Esther Chace. Samuel R. Buffinton. Elizabeth S. Newton. Lemuel Chace. Simeon W. Luther. Adaline F. Chace. Sarah C. Skinner. Rachel P. Chace. Herbert A. Skinner. Nancy A. H. Chace (10)

Associate Members: Esther M. Davis. Luella E. Jones. (2)

Overseers: Charles Estes. Charles A. Chace. Ralph Earle. Henry E. Chace. Robert A. Lawton. Charles E. Dore. Jane E. Dore. Edmund F. Buffinton. Phineas D. Fletcher. Thomas A. Briggs. Frances A. Estes. Emma B. Buffinton. E. Anna Earle. Marianna N. Chace. Eliza A. Sisson. Ann Maria Fletcher. Flora Read. (17)

Total 35

Providence Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: Phebe R. Gifford. Robert P. Gifford. Robert B. Hanson. Thomas G. Jackson. Thomas J. Ingraham. Thomas C. Batty. (6)

Elders: Ellen K. Buffum. Sarah J. Hanson. Susan Peckham. Louisa A. Meader. Hannah P. Ladd. M. Augusta Batty. Valentine E. Meader (7)

Associate Members: Elizabeth E. Jahun. Asenath Till S. Caroline Tobey. Elizabeth A. Gifford. Abby E. Cory. Willis H. White. (6)

Overseers: James G. Tilton. Anna A. Meader (2)

Total 21

Total 100

Ministers 25 Elders 31 Asso. Members 10 Overseers 34.

A lively interest has been expressed for the upbuilding of the Church and the strengthening of its members. With the desire that this may be realized we adjourn, proposing if the Lord will, to meet at Newport at the usual time before the quarterly meeting in 8th month next.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport R.I. Seventh month 31st 1901

By accounts from each of our subordinate meetings it appears that the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows - viz:

Rhode Island — Mary E. Hornor. James M. Estes. Osborne Hoffman. Laura A. Orswell.

Greenwich — E. Hannah Tucker. Ellen M. Atwater. Carrie G. Buffinton

Swansea — Elizabeth L. Newton, Henry C. Aydelott, Esther Chace Herbert A. Skinner, Samuel R. Buffinton

Providence — Sarah J. Hanson. Susan Peckham. Thomas L. Jackson and Robert B. Hanson

who being called 13 were present and 3 were absent: satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of two of these.

Representative to the Yearly Mtg on M. & O. — The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that they were present except four; one of these Joseph H. Atwater, a beloved Minister of the Gospel in Greenwich monthly meeting, was called to his heavenly home while the Yearly Meeting was in session. He retained his interest in the work of the Church to the last. We record at this time our sense of loss and our appreciation of his faithfulness to the Master's service, which will, we believe, continue to influence others to follow Christ with a like spirit of devotion as he did.

Queries — The queries and advice have all been read in this meeting.

The committee appointed to consider the needs of smaller meetings and more especially where old meeting-houses have been re-opened, have presented their report for the past three months of service, which is satisfactory, and is as follows.—

Report of committee on smaller meetings

Your Committee met 7th mo 31st

Warwick meeting having declined a little in numbers, arrangements have been made for more systematic labor there during the next three months. We are glad to hear that there is an increase of interest and attendance in the East Greenwich meeting. The meeting at Anthony has met a great loss in the death of Joseph E. Atwater and friends are asked to remember this and the other meetings with their prayers and visits. A new worker is actively engaged at the Tiverton meeting. We have no detailed report from our Treasurer but we understand that there are not sufficient funds in the treasury to meet the present demands, and as the work increases there would seem to be need for a generous contribution at this time.

On behalf of the committee
Susan Peckham, Sec'y.

This has been, we believe, a profitable and instructive season to us and with thankful hearts we now adjourn proposing to meet in Fall River at the usual time in 11th month next, the Lord permitting.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1901
The accounts received from our subordinate meetings report the following Friends as representatives to this meeting, viz:-

Rhode Island — Eric Estes John S. Kimber, Osborne J. Hoffman Delia Rees.

Greenwich — E. Annah Tucker Ellen M. Atwater Anna F. Matteson

Swansea — Obadiah Chace, Charles Estes, Phebe S. Aydelott Frances A. Estes, Adaline F. Chace, Samuel R. Buffinton

Providence — Hannah P. Ladd, Robert B. Hanson, Susan Peckham Sarah J. Hanson and Robert P. Gifford

whose names being called 16 responded, with 2 absent

Queries — The Queries as given in the Uniform Discipline have all been read.

Information from Providence Mo. Mtg — A communication from Providence monthly meeting is received nominating eleven persons for the station of Elder of which seven were recommended for three years, two for two years, and two for one year. It is concluded to refer it back to the aforesaid monthly meeting for a re-division of the names that shall be more in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline on pages 28-29.

The Committee having the oversight of our smaller meetings have made a report for the past three months which is satisfactory to us and is as follows —

To the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Your committee has given much time and thought to the work assigned them and present herewith a brief report. The work at Greenwich is encouraging and those who attend are

deeply interested. There has been a meeting in the middle of the week for Bible study. The meeting on First-Day evening has been continued for four years and an increase in attendance has resulted.
The work at Warwick is not so encouraging; the attendance does not increase and the interest flags among mere attenders though the workers are faithful and interested still. The interest at Tiverton has not increased as much as was hoped from the faithful labor given there during the past three months

On behalf of the Committee
Susan Peckham Secretary

Fall River 11th mo 6th 1901

While we regret that the earnest and conscientious labors of the committee have not been as fruitful in some fields as we had hoped and desired we are comforted with the command—"In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thy hand for thou knowest not which shall prosper either this or that, or whether both shall be alike good."
The treasurer's report covering a period of six months is acceptable and is as follows:—

Receipts

5th mo 2d 1901	Balance on hand	30.00	
	Collection at East Greenwich	29.11	
5th mo 9th	From E. K. Buffum	3.00	
8 - 2	Collection at Newport	32.02	
	Balance of Qr Mtg appropriation	10.00	
			$104.13

Expenditures

5-2-1901	To J. H Attwater for worker at Anthony	6.00	
	To Alice Earle to Warwick	2.50	
6-19	To E. A. Tucker 29.00, 20.00 39.00	88.00	
	Ellen M. Attwater for J. Renfrew	7.45	
			103.95
11-6	Balance on hand		.18

Signed M. Augusta Bailey Treasurer
per T. J. Bailey

Providence R.I. 11th mo 6th 1901

The needs of the field and the small balance in the treasury lead us to see the imperative demand for more funds ~~to~~ carrying on the work.

Information from the quarterly meeting

The following information from the clerk of Rhode Island quarterly meeting is received at this time.

To R.I. quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight-

At Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends held in Newport 8th mo 1st 1901 that meeting united with Rhode Island monthly meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of George E. Williams of Newport

Robert P. Gifford Clerk for the day

Having harmoniously accomplished the business coming before us we adjourn to meet in Providence at the usual time in second month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence Second month. Fifth. 1902

By accounts received from the Local meetings on Ministry and Oversight we learn that the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows: viz.

Rhode Island Mabel M. Hoffman Osborne J. Hoffman
Anna L. Manchester. George G. Williams
Greenwich Ellen M. Atwater. E. Annah Tucker.
Anna F. Matteson.
Swansea Lemuel Chace, Adaline F. Chace, Eliza H. [illegible],
Henry C. Aydelott, Charles A. Chace
Providence M. Augusta Battey Ellen K. Buffum and
Robert P. Gifford

whose names being called
11 were present and 4 were absent.

State of the local meetings The queries relating to this branch of the Church have been read and carefully considered
The four local Meetings of Ministry and Oversight have reported in detail as to their spiritual condition and the pastoral work now carried on within their limits.
These reports give ground for encouragement but we cannot overlook the fact that there is very much land to be possessed. and only as we keep ourselves in the love of God and pray in the Holy Ghost can we prosper and have good success.

Report of committee The following report for the past three months, from the committee appointed on reopening old meeting houses and encouraging the smaller meetings within our limits, was read and is satisfactory. viz:

To the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversigh

Your committee have little that is new to report and understand that details have been sent to the quarterly meeting. The workers in the different fields are laboring faithfully and in some localities have great reason to be encouraged. We would respectfully call the attention of the meeting to Part IV Chapter II Page 60 of the Uniform Discipline before the appointment of a new committee, also to paragraph IV page 43.

For the committee Susan Peckham
Sec'y

Providence 2nd Mo 5th 1902

The report of the treasurer of this committee for the same time was presented and is satisfactory, viz:

Receipts

Nov 7th 1901	Cash on hand	.18	
" " "	Collection at Fall River	67.43	
			67.61

Expenditures

For Gospel work at East Greenwich	45.00	
" " " " Tiverton	13.00	
" " " " Anthony	6.50	64.50
Balance		$ 3.11

Respectfully submitted
M. Augusta Battey. Treas.

Providence 2d mo 4th 1902

It is the judgment of this meeting that the work of aiding and encouraging our smaller meetings woul be carried on more in accordance with the intent of the Uniform Discipline as given in Part 4.

Chap 2 Page 60 if it could be placed under the care of an Evangelistic committee appointed by the quarterly meeting. The committee of this meeting now under appointment will be continued until the quarterly meeting shall take action in this matter. A copy of this minute is directed to be sent to the quarterly meeting.

The following Friends have been recommended by their several Monthly Meetings as suitable to occupy the station of Elder, viz-
From Rhode Island (for one year) Cornelia Barker
Laura A. Criswell. (For two years) Anna R. Williams
Elders Mabel M. Hoffman, (For three years) Anna L. Manchester
Hannah Borden and Isaac B. Macomber,
From Greenwich -(For one year) Ellen M. Atwater
Mary C. Arnold Hannah E. Bennett. (For two years)
Annie Merrill, John Babcock, Carrie E. Buffinton,
(For three years) Christopher A. Shippee Henry D. Tucker
Sarah M. Carpenter.
From Swansea (For one year) Lemuel Chace
Samuel R. Buffinton, Flora Read, Simeon W. Luther.
(For two years) Esther Chace Elizabeth S. Newton
Herbert A. Skinner, Nancy A. H. Chace.
(For three years) Rachel O. Chace, Adaline F. Chace
Sarah C. Skinner. Eliza A. Sisson.
From Providence (For one year) Augustine Jones-
Asenath Tetlow Elizabeth A. Gifford Charles Sisson.
(For two years) Susan Peckham. M. Augusta Bailey
Valentine E. Meader, Elizabeth C. Capron
For three years - Ellen K. Buffum Louisa H. Meader,
Sarah J. Hanson, Hannah P. Ladd.
These nominations have been duly considered and this meeting expresses its approval of the persons as reported from Rhode Island, Greenwich and Providence monthly meetings. Those from Swansea monthly meeting are

laid over until our next meeting for further prayerful consideration.

Concluding minute Under a sense of the tender guidance and help of our Heavenly Father in all our deliberations we adjourn to meet in Greenwich at the usual time before our next quarterly meeting if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk -

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 4th month 30th 1902

By the accounts received from the several local meetings on Ministry and Oversight we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are as follows -

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester, Osborne J. Hoffman, John W. Franklin, George G. Williams, Lydia A. Goddard Isaac B. Macomber

Greenwich Alice C. Earle, Ellen M. Atwater E. Hannah Tucker Hannah E. Bennett Christopher A. Shippee

Swansea Mead A. Kelsey, William J. Sayers, Samuel R. Buffinton Obadiah Chace, Esther Chace, Phebe S. Aydelott

Providence Louisa A. Meader, Sarah J. Hanson Elizabeth C. Capron Asenath Tetlow Robert B. Hanson

these being called 14 were present and 8 were absent. Sufficient reasons were given for the absence of some of these

Appointment of Clerk The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed, Obadiah Chace on behalf of the representatives proposed the reappointment of Phebe S. Aydelott for Clerk which is united with and she is accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Represent-atives to the Yearly Meeting

The queries have been read at this time, followed by reports from our subordinate meetings of the spiritual condition of the congregations composing them. These have been duly considered and the clerk is directed to prepare a summary of the same and forward it with other information to the ensuing Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held at Newport by our representatives to that meeting who are appointed as follows:-
Henry C. Aydelott, Mead A. Kelsey, Lydia Rees,
E. Annah Tucker, Anna R. Williams Obadiah Chace,
Susan Peckham.

All of our meetings have been regularly held,

Elders in wansea onthly Meeting

The persons recommended by Swansea Monthly Meeting in 1st month last as suitable to occupy the station of Elder which was referred from our last meeting, were now considered and we are united in approving their appointment. (See names in records of last meeting)

Jesse cPherson

We have at this time the acceptable company of Jesse Mc Pherson a Minister of the Gospel from Fairfield quarterly meeting.

ommittee n the case of lice M. Coleman

Rhode Island Local meeting on Ministry and Oversight reports that it is united in recognizing the gift in the ministry which they believe has been conferred upon Alice M. Coleman. We accordingly appoint Ellen K. Buffum, Robert P. Gifford, Henry C. Aydelott, Mead A. Kelsey, E. Annah Tucker Christopher A. Shippee and Anna L. Manchester. a committee to consider the matter who shall obtain information as to the evidence of spiritual gifts, manner of life, doctrinal views, mental capacity and general qualification for the ministry. They are directed to report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

The committee now under appointment to exercise general care and helpfulness to our smaller meetings has reported as follows

Report of Comtee on care of meetings

To Rhode Island quarterly meeting on Ministry and Oversight

Your committee has held its usual meetings. The work at Greenwich is continuing with the same increase of interest that has prevailed during the past year. Anthony meeting has been visited. There is a good degree of interest manifested but there is much need of pastoral care. The meeting at Tiverton is very small. No one is laboring there regularly but there is a prospect of workers for both of these fields, if our treasury can be so filled as to meet the necessary expense. We hope that the Quarterly Meeting will take a collection for the work

For the Committee

E. Greenwich 4/30 1902 Susan Peckham Sec'y

Treasurer's Report

Receipts

Feb 6th 1902	Cash on hand	3.11
"	Collection at Providence	50.00
		53.11

Expendatures

	For Gospel work at East Greenwich	40.00
	" " " " Tiverton	11.00
1902	" " " " Anthony	1.25
Apr 30	Cash on hand	.86
		53.11

Respectfully submitted
M. Augusta Battey Treasurer

This report is accepted and is satisfactory to us

Conference of ministers

The committee is discharged and this work will now be in the care of a committee appointed by the quarterly meeting.

The subject of holding a Conference of the Ministers of this quarterly meeting for mutual helpfulness sympathy and encouragement has claimed our serious attention. We appoint Phebe S. Aydelott, George G. Williams, E. Anna Tucker and Robert P. Gifford as a committee to arrange for such a meeting as way may open for it, to meet at Newport at 10:30 A.M. on the day preceding the next quarterly meeting.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3d month 1st 1902

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers 7 Annabella E. Winn. S. Narcissa Beale. Delia Rees. John Shober Kimber. Mary E. Kimber. Osborne J. Hoffman. George G. Williams

Elders 7 Anna R. Williams. Anna L. Manchester Cornelia Barker. Laura A. Oswell. Mabel Hoffman. Hannah C. Borden Isaac B. Macomber

Overseers 7 Lydia A. Goddard James L. Teedson Bartholomew Albert. John W. Franklin. Addie Hall. Robert Wetherell. Richard R. Macomber. 21

Greenwich Monthly Meeting.

Ministers. 3 William H. Perry Alice E. Earle E. Annah Tucker.

Elders 9 Christopher A. Shippee. Henry D. Tucker. Sarah M. Carpenter Anna Merrill. John Babcock. Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater. Mary C. Arnold. Hannah E. Bennett.

Overseers 5 Mary W. Weeden. Ellen Lockwood. Moses L. Buffinton. Sarah M. Carpenter. George E. Mattey. 17

Swansea Monthly Meeting

Ministers 6 Obadiah Chace Rebecca Anthony
Henry C. Aydelott. Mead A. Kelsey Phebe S.
Aydelott William J. Sayers.

Elders 10 Esther Chace. Elizabeth S. Newton
Samuel R. Buffinton. Adaline F. Chace.
Sarah C. Skinner Rachel P. Chace. Lemuel
Chace. Simeon W. Luther. Herbert A. Skinner.
Nancy A. H. Chace.

Overseers 16 Charles Estes. Charles A. Chace
Ralph Earle. Francis A. Estes. Emma B.
Buffinton. Henry E. Chace. Edmund F.
Buffinton. Robert A. Lawton. Marianna N.
Chace. Eliza A. Sisson. Phineas D. Fletcher
Thomas A. Briggs. Mary K. Talbot. Charles
E. Dore. Flora Read. Emily M. Stone. 32

Providence Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 5. Phebe R. Gifford. Robert P. Gifford
Robert B. Hanson. Thomas J. Battey
Thomas Y. Jackson

Elders 12 Ellen K. Buffum. Louisa N. Meader.
Sarah J. Hanson. Hannah P. Ladd. Susan
Peckham. M. Augusta Battey. Augustine Jones.
Valentine E. Meader. Elizabeth C. Capron.
Aseneth Tetlow. Elizabeth A. Gifford. Charles
Sisson.

Overseers 3. Anna A. Meader. Abby A. Cory.
James G. Seton. 20

Total 90

Having concluded the business coming before us, and recognizing the good hand of our God upon us, we adjourn to meet in Newport at the usual time before the quarterly meeting in 8th month next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk.

At Rhode Island quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 6th 1902

The Local meetings on Ministry and Oversight except Rhode Island report the appointment of representatives to this meeting as follows

Rhode Island

Greenwich Alice C. Earle. Ellen M. Atwater
Carrie G. Buffinton

Swansea Henry C. Aydelott. Elizabeth S. Nowlan. Esther Chace.
Obadiah Chace

Providence Sarah J. Hanson, Susan Peckham, Truman C. Ladd and Robert P. Gifford

of these 10 were present and 1 was absent.
The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that they were all present.
The Queries have been read at this time.
We have at this time the acceptable company of Harriet Green, a Minister of the Gospel from London Yearly Meeting.
Reports have been received from our subordinate meetings of their spiritual condition, attendance of meetings for worship, the reception and development of spiritual gifts and other items indicating a general interest manifested in our several congregations.
The Committee appointed in 5th month last to hold a Conference of the Ministers of this quarterly meeting as way should open for it, report that such a Conference was held this day at 10:30 at the meeting-house. Ten ministers were present. The subjects proposed by the committee for consideration were as

follows – viz –
1st Do we need a preparation for effective preaching of the Gospel and what shall such preparation be?
2d The vital importance of reverence in word and manner when preaching the Gospel.
3d By what means or methods were we brought to a personal knowledge of Christ and how far can we use such means in our ministry?

As the Friend was necessarily absent who was expected to open the first subject, the second one was considered; ~~and~~ the discussion was opened by Robert P. Gifford and was most profitable, continued by the other ministers present. a summary of which was presented to this meeting, and is placed on file.

We are impressed with the importance of such a Conference and it is concluded to continue the same committee – viz Phebe S. Aydelott. George G. Williams, E. Annah Tucker and Robert P. Gifford to arrange for a similar Conference of the Ministers of this Quarterly Meeting at Fall River on the day preceding the Quarterly meeting in 11th month next at 10:30 A. M.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow Fifth day at 1:30 P. M. to attend to such unfinished business as may claim our attention.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk.

Newport 8th month 7th 1:30 P.M.

Met according to adjournment.

The committee appointed in the case of Alice M. Coleman has presented a report which is as follows:-

To the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight

Your committee appointed in 5th mo last have conferred together and after a satisfactory interview with Alice M. Coleman we are united in the proposition to acknowledge her gift in the ministry.

On behalf of the committee
Ellen K. Buffum
Robert P. Gifford

We accept this report and are united in judgment that her gift in the ministry of the Gospel may be acknowledged by Rhode Island Monthly Meeting.

We acknowledge that the Lord has guided us in the transaction of the business before us and we now adjourn to meet in Fall River at the regular time in 11th month next; the Lord permitting.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of
Friends on Ministry and Oversight held
at Fall River 11th month 5th 1902

The local meetings on Ministry and Oversight
report representatives appointed to this meeting
as follows:
Rhode Osborne J. Hoffman George G. Williams
Island Anna L. Manchester Delia Rees

Greenwich E. Annah Tucker Ellen M. Atwater
Alice C. Earle Carrie G. Buffinton
Swansea Simeon W. Luther Eliza A. Tesson Obadiah Chace
Elizabeth C. Newton. Herbert A. Skinner.
Providence M. Augusta Battey Asenath Tefft
Robert P. Gifford

Of these 12 were present and 4 were
absent. and satisfactory reasons were given for
those not present

Queries The Queries relating to this branch of the
Church have been read and considered.

The reports as summarized from the several
Local meetings show a good degree of interest
Reports in spiritual things and an increasing attendance
from sub. upon meetings for worship while not overlooking some
meetings deficiencies existing among a few of our members.
A small number of additions to the membership are
reported. It is our conviction that we are on the
whole striving for higher and better things.
The clerk reported that a Conference of the ministers
of this quarterly meeting was held this day at

Conference of Ministers

10:30 A. M. and the following topics were considered, viz;

1st Prayer; its value and scope.

2d Scriptural authority for length of prayers, and manner of addressing the Almighty.

3d Attitude in prayer both for suppliant and hearer.

4th Private prayer.

This discussion seemed to bring us into a better knowledge of the nature of prayer, and of God's willingness to hear and answer on the ground of faith but we are convinced that greater diligence is required by all in both public and private intercession.

The interest that has been awakened in this theme warrants the conclusion to further consider the subject of Prayer at the next regular session of this meeting.

Notice has been given of the Conference of Ministers and workers arranged by a committee of the Yearly Meeting, to be held at Lynn Mass. 12th mo 31st 1902 and 1st mo 1st & 2d 1903 and all our members are encouraged to attend.

Having transacted the business coming before us, we adjourn to meet at Providence on the day previous to the next Quarterly Meeting in Second month next; the Lord permitting.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence Second month 4th 1903.

The representatives to this meeting appointed by our subordinate meetings are as follows:-

Rhode Island Lydia A. Goddard, Osborne J. Hoffman, Anna L. Manchester & Robert E. Wetherell

Greenwich E. Anna Tucker, Lydia E. Drinkwater, Christopher A. Shippee
Mary W. Weeden, Carrie G. Buffinton Sarah M. Carpenter Alice A. Spencer.

Swansea Mead A. Kelsey. Frances A. Estes. Henry E. Aydelott
Phebe L. Aydelott Obadiah Chace Lemuel Chace

Providence M. Augusta Batty Hannah P. Ladd Louisa A. Meader
and Robert P. Gifford

14 have responded to their names when called and 7 are absent; for some of which suitable reasons are given.

Queries The Queries adapted to this meeting have been read and thoughtfully considered.

Reports from local meetings The reports from the local meetings on Ministry and Oversight have given in detail the spiritual condition of all the congregations in this quarterly meeting. It appears that we have been able to hold the ground already possessed and there is an evident desire to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes of our Zion.

The character of the ministry seems to have been very acceptable. A series of meetings has been held in Greenwich with good results.

Two meetings report an increasing interest in the Junior Christian Endeavor Societies.

The Monthly Meetings of Rhode Island and Swansea have reported the names of the following persons as suitable to occupy the position of Elder in their respective meetings for three years - viz:
In Rhode Island - Cornelius Barker and Fred W. Colman
In Swansea - Samuel K. Buffinton Flora Read and Lemuel Chace. These have been severally and carefully considered ~~considered~~ and this meeting expresses its approval of the persons thus named.

The recommendations of the New England Friends Conference of "Ministers, Elders and other Christian Workers" which was recently held at Lynn have been read and are as follows.

I. The present state of our Society in New England, though not one for entire satisfaction, shows ample grounds for hopefulness and encouragement in renewed efforts for the future. The rapid decline in our membership begun more than half a century ago, has been checked, and for about thirty years the Church has held its own, and much reconstructive work along various lines has been done.

The time is ripe for an advance, and there is an evident awakening to greater earnestness and intelligent direction of energy which promise well for the future.

II. In this progress the work of the Bible School holds a most fundamental place. Not only must we interest our own children in this work at the earliest possible age and hold them there, but both our School and ultimately our Society, must be largely recruited from without. Older Friends also should remain in the Bible School and make it a real source of religious instruction.

III. The elders, overseers and all members of the Pastoral Committee must gird themselves anew for their duties and privileges in sustaining, encouraging and supplementing the ministry, and especially in the shepherding and instruction of the flock. It is in the spiritual life, energy and devotion of this body that the future of our Church must place its great hope.

IV. The Meetings of Ministry and Oversight throughout the Yearly meeting are urged to take up and discuss from month to month the various problems of practical work in their meetings and in the community.

To aid the Local and Quarterly Meetings of Ministry and Oversight in commencing this practical work we suggest the following subjects for consideration:

1. Which is more effective in bringing persons to decide for Christ—series of meetings or personal work in families?
2. How may the ministry be made more efficient, both in matter and manner, so as to meet the needs of this community?.
3. Outlying districts where Gospel work should be done.
4. Openings for new Bible Schools.
5. Organization of the membership for practical work.
6. Manner of conducting public services.
7. How can we best encourage the practice of family devotions?
8. Societies of young people and their work.
9. How may the Church meet the Social needs of the community?
10. Are our children becoming Christians and entering the Society?

V. The ministry, in addition to the essentials of a well-considered call, and ever-renewed baptism of the Spirit and an entire consecration to the work, should be strengthened intellectually in every way in order that its authority, leadership and usefulness may be increased rather than lost by the trend of modern thought.

To this end college and special religious training are urged wherever possible, and prayerful, persistent reading, study and thoughtful observation are recommended to those already in the field. It is hoped that all ministers will make much use of the circulating library just established and located for convenience at Friends School, Providence.

Inspiration for the message should be prayerfully sought and the soul always kept open toward God for suggestions, while every resource of the mind and character should be used to bring it home to the hearers.

VI. The supremacy of Jesus Christ in all things as the object of all our study and the foundation of all authority both of faith and works was most profoundly and sympathetically presented. And it is hoped that this attitude toward our Lord Jesus Christ may characterize the work of all the meetings and members in our Yearly Meeting.

In closing the labors of the Conference and separating for our respective fields, we would look reverently to God to anoint and strengthen us by His Spirit for the effective carrying out in the promotion of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, the important practical lessons which He has so clearly and forcibly impressed upon us.

On behalf of the Conference,

ALFRED T. WARE, Chairman.

The practical nature of this communication has appealed to us and it is our desire to consider those topics from time to time that relate to our spiritual state and to aggressive work for the Lord. It is concluded to adopt for consideration at our next meeting the following:—

"Effective methods in bringing persons to decide for Christ — 1st Series of meetings; 2d Personal work" Mead A. Kelsey is appointed to present the first division of the subject and Alice C. Earle the second.

The subject of "Prayer" referred from our last meeting was now resumed opening with vocal petitions from several of our members expressing the desire of being taught of the Lord how to pray.

The discussion is briefly summarized as follows.

In searching the scriptures we learn how definitely it teaches the necessity, the method, and the blessing of prayer. Abiding in Christ is the one thing needful to secure an answer to our petitions. The spirit of prayer is the essence of worship and is the best test of spiritual life. It is the most practical thing in the economy of life. It expands our powers ~~and~~ and produces an experience which is both definite and progressive. and our denomination must ever take an advanced stand in this privilege if she would increase in numbers and in power.

The business of this meeting has been conducted with great unity of spirit. and we now adjourn to meet in East Greenwich on the day preceding the quarterly meeting in fifth month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich Fifth month 6th 1903.
The representatives to this meeting appointed by our subordinate meetings are as follow

Rhode Island Mary E. Kimber Anna R. Williams Osborne J. Hoffman

Greenwich E. Annah Tucker Alice C. Earle Anna M
Anna F. Matteson Ellen M. Atwater.

Swansea Adeline F. Chace, Obadiah Chace, Esther Chac
Phebe S. Aydelott Maud A. Kelsey.

Providence Sarah J. Hanson Louisa A. Meader
Susan Peckham & Robert B. Hanson. 17

Of the above 16 were present and 1 was absent with satisfactory reason for the same

All of our meetings have been regularly held

The time having expired for which the clerk is appointed Osborne J. Hoffman on behalf of the representatives reports that they are united in proposing the re-appointment of Phebe S. Aydelott as clerk with which this meeting unites and s is accordingly appointed to serve as such for th ensuing year

The Queries have been read at this time followed by reports from the several Local meetings on Ministry and Oversight expressing very fully the spiritual condition of their several congregations, from which a summary has been prepared which we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are appointed as follows:-

Represent-
atives

Henry C. Hydelott, Anna R. Williams, George G. Williams, Obadiah Chace, Adaline F. Chace, Christopher A. Shepherd, Alice C. Earle, and Louisa N. Meader.

Elders
in
Providence

Providence Monthly Meeting reports the names of the following Friends as suitable to occupy the positions of Elder in that meeting, viz- For 3 years - Augustine Jones, Asenath Fellows. Elizabeth A. Gifford, Charles Sisson. Also for one year to fill vacancy caused by the death of Elizabeth C. Capron, the name of Walter S. Meader. These have been jointly considered and this meeting expresses its approval of the above-named Friends for the service indicated.

According to appointment in our last meeting Mead A. Kelsey read a paper on "Revival meetings as an effective method of bringing persons to decide for Christ" and Alice C. Earle followed with a paper on "Personal Work" In order to widen the influence of these valuable papers it is directed that a sufficient number of type-written copies be made of each of them to be placed in the hands of the clerks of our subordinate meetings to be used in a way to interest the greatest number of members and the clerk is further directed to ask the quarterly meeting for an appropriation not exceeding five dollars to meet the expense.

It is concluded that we adopt for consideration at our next meeting the following topic - "Organization of the membership for practical work" and George G. Williams and Henry C. Hydelott are appointed to present their views of this subject.

Words of appreciation were spoken of the many valuable books in the Ministers' Circulating Library and the helps this library is capable of being to the ministers of our Yearly Meeting, but a vigorous protest was made against the circulation of unortho-dox books by means of it. Our attention has been directed to one of these books on the ground that it contains statements that are contrary to the fundamental doctrines of the Scriptures and is misleading in its tendency by furnishing deductions inconsistent with truth. The harmful influence of this volume and others of a similar trend is so apparent that we are united in asking the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to appoint a committee to examine these books with a view to withdrawing from circulation any which may be proved to be unevangelical.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to Third month, first. 1903

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers 7 Annabella E. Winn, John T. Kimber, Delia Rees, Mary E. Kimber, George G. Williams, Osborne J. Hoffman Alice M. Colman.

Elders 7 Anna L. Manchester, Anna K. Williams, Cornelia A. Barker, Hannah C. Borden, Mabel Hoffman, Frederick W. Colman, Isaac B. Macomber

Overseers 5 Robert C. Wetherell, Lydia A. Goddard Addie Hall, John W. Franklin, Richard R. Macomber.

Total 19

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers 4 William H. Ruby. Alice C. Earle. E. Annah Tucker. Byron O. Salsbury

Elders 9 Mary C. Arnold. Hannah E. Bennett Christopher A. Shippee. Ellen M. Atwater Henry D. Tucker. Anna Merrill. Sarah M. Carpenter. Carrie L. Buffinton. John Babcock.

Overseers 4 Mary W. Weeden. Ellen Lockwood, Moses L. Buffinton George E. Mattey.

Total 17

Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 5 Obadiah Chace. Henry C. Aydelott Phebe S. Aydelott. Mead A. Kelsey William J. Sayles-

Elders 11 Esther Chace Elizabeth S. Newton Herbert A. Skinner Nancy A. H. Chace Rachel P. Chace Adaline F. Chace. Sarah C. Skinner, Eliza A. Sisson, Samuel R. Buffinton Lemuel Chace and Flora Read.

Overseers 13 Charles Estes. Charles A. Chace. Ralph Earle, Frances A. Estes, Emma B. Buffinton, Henry E. Chace, Robert A. Lawton. Marianna H. Chace, Phineas D. Fletcher. Thomas A. Briggs, Mary K. Talbot, Emily M. Shove. Mary L. Simmons.

Total 29

Providence Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 5 Phebe R. Gifford. Robert P. Gifford Robert B. Hanson. Thomas J. Battey. Thomas F. Jackson

Elders 11 Ellen K. Buffum. Sarah J. Hanson Susan Peckham, M. Augusta Battey. Augustine Jones. Elizabeth A. Gifford. Louisa H. Meader Hannah F. Ladd Valentine E. Meader. Asenath Tetlow. Charles Sisson

Overseers 3 Anna H. Meader. James T. Seton
Abby F. Corey Total 19
Total membership 84

We trust that the practical value of the business coming before us from time to time will awaken a deeper interest among our members and result in a larger attendance of this meeting and a more complete consecration of our powers to the service of our Lord and Master.
We adjourn to meet in Newport on the day preceding the quarterly meeting in 8th mo next if the Lord will.

Phebe. S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport R. I
8th month 5th 1908
The representatives from three of our subordinate meetings to this meeting are as follows.

Rhode Island Anna R. Williams Richard R. Macomber
Anna L. Manchester Osborne J. Hoffman

Greenwich

Swansea Esther Chace, Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott
Phebe S. Aydelott Charles A. Chace
Providence Louisa H. Meader Susan Peckham

whose names being called 11 were present and 1 was absent

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that they attended without exception

The Queries have been read at this time and seriously considered.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Wilbur A. Estes recently returned from the Friends Mission in China, Ezra Estes from Ohio Yearly Meeting, Samuel Emlen from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting all Ministers of the Gospel, and Elizabeth M. Jenkins President of the Friends Foreign Missionary Society of Ohio Yearly Meeting. The services of these servants of the Lord is truly comforting and encouraging to us.

Committee in the case of Nancy A. H. Chace

Swansea Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight reports that it is satisfied that Nancy A. H. Chace has received a gift in the ministry. We appoint Henry C. Aydelott, John S. Kimber, Charles Sisson, Phebe P. Aydelott, Ellen M. Atwater, Susan Peckham and Anna R. Williams as a committee to consider the case and obtain information as to the evidence of spiritual gifts, manner of life, doctrinal views, mental capacity and general qualification for the ministry, and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

The topic proposed at our last meeting for consideration at this time, viz - "The Organization of the membership for practical work" - was now presented by George G. Williams of Newport and Henry C. Aydelott of Fall River

Success attends that church where all its members are bearing their part of the service under the direction of the Holy Spirit. The primary object is to recognize Jesus Christ as the Head of His Church and every one of the members answerable to Him as their Divine Leader. We need to multiply the centres of responsibility. We must work if we would be healthy and this point was proved by various illustrations. The chief corner-stone of our organization is Jesus Christ our Redeemer whom God raised from the dead. When we are united to this as a centre we do not need the law of a carnal commandment to make us engage in practical work. We will work any way. To elevate the church so that God's glory shall shine upon it, will make people want to be connected with it and to work for it. No earthly organization can truly be a pattern for divine work. The pattern is in the heavens and when we get a glimpse of the glory, we will like Isaiah ask for service and God will bless the willing-hearted. In the discussion which followed it was affirmed that we are now a mass of unassociated workers. The day and age demands that our power and our zeal ~~must~~ be harnessed in order to be effective. We must not only associate ourselves with the life currents of the church but we must help the rank and file to get to work.

It is concluded that we adopt for consideration at our next meeting the following topic:- "Are our children becoming Christians and entering the Society?" and Mary E. Kimber and Anna R. Williams are appointed to open the discussion.

We acknowledge the good hand of our God upon us as we have endeavored to carry forward the business of the Church and we now adjourn to meet in Fall River at the stated time in 11th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 4th " 1903

Our subordinate meetings have duly reported and the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows:

Rhode ~~No representatives~~ Robert Wetherall
Island Anna L. Manchester Mary E. Kimber
Greenwich E. Annah Tucker, Alice E. Earle, Ellen Lockwood
Ellen M. Atwater Carrie G. Buffinton
Swansea Adaline F. Chace Elizabeth S. Newton
Henry E. Aydelott Herbert A. Skinner
Mead A. Kelsey.
Providence Sarah J. Hanson Ellen K. Buffum
Hannah P. Ladd Robert P. Gifford

who being called 16 were present and 1 was absent

The Queries were now read followed by reports of the spiritual condition of the congregations as presented by the several local meetings on Ministry and Oversight and which may be summarized as follows:— A general renewal of spiritual interest is apparent and an increased attendance of the First-day morning meetings is reported from all parts of the quarterly meeting but at the same time there is a prayerful exercise and seeking unto God for improvement. Nearly every meeting is favored with regular ministry which seems to be adapted to the needs of the congregations and is for the most part encouraging and edifying. Several congregations report special meetings wherein some have received marked blessings. Several Bible Schools show quickened activity, and one meeting reports a development of spiritual gifts which is not only helping the home meeting but is reaching out to the regions beyond

Ministers in attendance We have at this time the acceptable company of Stephen Breed from Weare Monthly Mtg N. H. Alfred T. Ware of Maine Superintendent of Evangelistic Work for New England Yearly Meeting and E. Josiah Prescott of [illegible] Monthly Meeting, all Ministers of the Gospel.

Greenwich Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that it is united in recommending Anna Frances Mattison to be recorded as a Minister of the Gospel. We appoint Charles A. Chace Robert P. Gifford Henry C. Aydelott Mead A. Kelsey Susan Peckham Ellen R. Buffum Mary E. Kimber Carrie G. Buffinton and Alice C. Earle a committee to examine the aforesaid Friend in those qualifications for a Minister as outlined in the Discipline and report their judgment as to her fitness for the position at a future meeting.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting in the case of Nancy A. H. Chace have reported as follows— "To Rhode Island Qr Mtg on Ministry and Oversight— Dear Friends:

The Committee to whom was referred the proposition from Swansea Mo. Mtg on Ministry and Oversight for recording Nancy A. H. Chace as a Minister of the Gospel would report careful consideration of the subject— The instructions of the Discipline have been strictly observed, and the Committee is united in judgment that she is a proper person to be so acknowledged.

On behalf of the Committee

Fall River 10th mo [illegible] H. C. Aydelott

This report is satisfactory and the clerk is directed to inform Swansea Monthly Meeting that it is at liberty to take the further steps in her acknowledgement as a minister of the Gospel as may seem best.

The topic assigned for this meeting - viz - "Do our children becoming Christians and entering the Society" - was now taken up and was presented in a very practical manner in a paper prepared and read by Mary E. Kimber of Newport. The consideration of this question seems most timely and the birthright membership has primarily ceased since the adoption of the Uniform Discipline in 6th mo 1901 and children born of parents who are members since that date stand in a more responsible light. The hope of the Church is of course in our children, and upon the way they are trained in the church and in the home will largely depend their future. The statistics of 1903 show 104 associate members, and there are 675 children between the ages of 4 and 21 years. Proof was given to show that if persons do not come to the Saviour in early life there is small chance of coming in later years.

The importance of the family altar was dwelt upon and the opportunity it affords for careful training in the truths of the Gospel. If the parents themselves have confidence in the doctrines of our church, there will not be much difficulty in creating an interest in the hearts of the children for the church which upholds and advocates these doctrines. The church like the home must have a care for all that compose it, but the little child must have the most tender nurture for no one needs it so much. Fortunate are those children who find a church home under such conditions. Finally the church which gives the most faithful religious training to the young holds in its hands the destiny of the future. A brief discussion followed and the interest awakened seemed to warrant a continuation of the topic at our next meeting and R. P. Gifford is appointed to open the discussion.

Having accomplished the business coming before us we adjourn to meet in Providence at the usual time in 2d month next if the Lord will.

P. S. Aydelott Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 2d mo 3d 1904
The accounts from our subordinate meetings show the representatives appointed to attend this meeting to be as follows:—

Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester, Robert C. Wetherall
Isaac B. Macomber
Greenwich E. Annah Tucker, Anna Merrill. Anna F. Matteson
Alice C. Earle Ellen M. Atwater Lydia E. Drinkwater
Swansea Henry C. Aydelott, Esther Chace. Obadiah Chace
Phebe S. Aydelott.
Providence Ellen K. Buffum Susan Peckham Robert B. Hanson.

Of these 13 were present and 3 were absent, with reasons rendered for the absence of two
The Queries have been read and considered followed by reports of the spiritual condition of the several congregations which show no marked change from those of the previous quarter A general tone of hopefulness pervades all these reports

Swansea Monthly Meeting reports that it is united in recommending the names of Esther Chace, Elizabeth S.

Newton and Herbert A. Skinner to serve as Elders of that meeting for three years; also A. Felix Burns to serve as an Elder for two years in place of Samuel R. Buffinton deceased. This meeting expresses its approval of the persons aforesaid ~~named~~ to occupy the position of Elder.

Rhode Island Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight reports that it believes that Cornelia A. Barker has received a call to the Ministry which should be officially recognized. In view of this information we appoint Charles Sisson, Phebe S. Aydelott Mary E. Kimber Anna L. Manchester and Robert B. Hanson as a committee to examine the aforesaid Friend in those qualifications for a Minister as outlined in the Uniform Discipline and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

The subject referred from our last meeting bearing upon the spiritual training of the children was now entered upon. Robert P. Gifford being absent, Charles M. Woodman of Winthrop Centre, Maine, was invited to open the discussion and the various remarks may be summarized as follows-

It is of the utmost importance to get the children to understand while yet they are young, their personal relation to Jesus Christ. If the principles of Christianity are planted in the childs heart they will not be easily rooted out, and the religious experience of the child may continue to be a definite personal experience of the man.

The child is naturally sincere and he hates to assume a profession that he cannot sustain. Let us never _force_ a confession from a child nor urge him to take a step that he is not ready to take. At the same time surround him with such influences as shall lead him to see the blessedness of a Christian life. Children have definite religious experiences and it is a most delicate and responsible task to train them for God. If the life of the home exemplifies the spirit of Christ it will be most natural for the child to love that which is good and desire to grow up to be a member of the church of Christ. The better the inheritance the better it is for the child. Let parents train their children with a view to leading them to Christ and never delegate that duty to another.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we adjourn to meet at East Greenwich at the usual time in Fifth month next if the Lord will.
Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at E. Greenwich Fifth month 4th 1904

The representatives appointed by our subordinate meetings to this meeting are as follows viz. -

Rhode Island	Anna L. Manchester Isaac B. Macomber Mary E. Kimber
Greenwich	Ellen M. Atwater Lydia E. Drinkwater Carrie F. Buffinton Alice E. Earle E. Arnold Tucker Christopher A. Shippee
Swansea	Adaline F. Chace, Phebe S. Aydelott Henry C. Aydelott Charles A. Chace Flora Read.
Providence	Ellen K. Buffum Louisa A. Meader Hannah P. Ladd. Thomas E. Jackson

Of these 15 were present and 3 were absent. an excuse is rendered for the one of these.

Clerk

The time having expired for which the clerk is appointed the representatives report that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Phebe S. Aydelott for Clerk with which the meeting unites, and she is accordingly appointed to serve in that capacity for the ensuing year.

All of our meetings have been regularly held -
The Queries have been read at this time followed by reports from our subordinate meetings expressing the spiritual condition of the several congregations from which a summary is directed to be prepared and forwarded to the ensuing Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight by our representatives which are appointed as follows

Representa-
tives to the
Yearly
Meeting.

M. Augusta Battey, Sarah J. Hanson, Alice C. Earle, Christopher A. Shippee Obadiah Chace, Mary E. Kimber Henry C. Aydelott

We have at this time the acceptable company of Alfred T. Ware, a minister of the Gospel and Supt of Evangelistic work for the Yearly Meeting.

The committee appointed at our last meeting in the case of Cornelia A Barker have reported as follows:-

Cornelia
A. Barker

To Rhode Island Qr Mtg of Friends on Ministry and Oversight.-

The committee to whom was referred the proposition from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of Cornelia A. Barker would report careful attention to the subject through a satisfactory interview with her. The instructions of the Discipline have been complied with and they are united in judgment that she is a proper person to be acknowledged as a Minister of the Gospel.

Signed

P. S. Aydelott Secy of Committe

Fall River 4-27-1904

This report is acceptable to the meeting
Also the committee appointed in the 11th mo last in the case of Anna Frances Mattison have reported that they are united in judgment that she is a proper person to be acknowledged as a Minister of the Gospel and this report is satisfactory. The clerk is directed to inform Rhode Island and Greenwich Monthly meetings respectively that they are at liberty to proceed with the acknowledgment of these Friends as Ministers of the Gospel as may seem advisable and right to the meetings aforesaid

Providence Monthly Meeting has recommended the following Friends for the station of Elder in that meeting for the next three years - viz -
Susan Peckham M. Augusta Battey Valentine E. Meader and Walter L. Meader.

This meeting expresses its approval of the persons thus named to serve as Elder, and for the time specified.

It is concluded that we adopt for consideration, at our next meeting the following topic - viz -
"Manner of conducting public services" and Henry E. Aydelott and Alice E. Earle are named to open the subject.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3rd mo 1st 1904

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers: Annabella E. Winn John S. Kimber
Delia Rees George G. Williams Osborne J. Hoffman
Mary E. Kimber. Alice M. Colman. 7
Elders Anna L. Manchester, Cornelia A. Barker.
Hannah C. Borden, Frederick W. Colman
Isaac B. Macomber. 5
Overseers Robert E. Wetherill Lydia A. Goddard
Addie Hall. John W. Franklin Richard Macomber
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Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers 4 Alice C. Earle William H. Perry
E. Annah Tucker, Byron C. Salsbury
Elders 9 Ellen M. Atwater, Mary C. Arnold
Hannah E. Bennett, Christopher A. Shippee
Henry D. Tucker, Sarah M. Carpenter Anna Merrill
John Babcock Carrie G. Buffinton
Overseers 3 Mary Weeden Moses L. Buffinton
George Malley 16

Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 6 viz Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott
Phebe S. Aydelott Mead A. Kelsey, William J. Sayres
Nancy A. H. Chace.
Elders. 10. Herbert A. Skinner, Elizabeth S. Newton,
Sarah C. Skinner, Eliza A. Sisson, Esther Chace
Rachel P. Chace Adaline T. Chace Flora Read.
Lemuel Chace, A. Felix Burns
Overseers 13. Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace
Ralph Earle, Frances A. Estes, Henry E. Chace
Emma L. Buffinton Robert A. Lawton, Marianna
N. Chace, Phineas D. Fletcher, Thomas A. Briggs
Mary R. Talbott Emily M. Stone, Mary L. Simmons (29)

Providence Monthly Meeting.

Ministers 3 Thomas J. Battey Robert B. Hanson
Thomas G. Jackson
Elders 12 Ellen R. Buffum Augustine Jones
Hannah P. Ladd Louisa N. Meader, Susan
Peckham M. Augusta Battey, Charles Sisson
Elizabeth A. Gifford. Sarah J. Hanson, Asenath Tilton
Valentine E. Meader Walter S. Meader
Overseers 3 James G. Seaton Anna A. Meader
Abbie A. Corey (18)

Total membership (80)

Having accomplished the business coming before us we adjourn to meet at Newport at the usual time in 8th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk -

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport - R. I. 8th mo 3d 1904

The accounts received from our subordinate meetings show the representatives to this meeting to be as follows - viz.

Rhode Island Osborne J. Hoffman Hannah C. Borden
Mary E. Kimber
Greenwich Anna Merrill E. Annah Tucker Alice C. Earle
Sarah M. Carpenter George E. Malley Ellen Lockwood

Swansea Mead A. Kelsey Elizabeth S. Newton.
Obadiah Chace Phebe S. Aydelott
Providence Elizabeth A. Gifford Robert B. Hanson and
Sarah J. Hanson

Of these 8 were present - and 8 were absent

The representatives to the Yearly meeting report that all attended except one.

The queries were read at this time followed by reports from the subordinate meetings. In some respects we are cheered and encouraged by the accounts from the several congregations concerning their spiritual condition. Earnestness of purpose and consistent living is evident and our ministers seem to be faithful in proclaiming the truth as opportunity offers.

A small attendance of meetings for worship and discipline is reported, which may be the result of the vacation season in the city meetings, but we hope for improvement in this direction as our members feel more and more the responsibility which attaches to the position of standard-bearers before the people.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Albert A. Bailey from Kansas Yearly Meeting and Lydia A. Page from China Monthly Meeting Maine both ministers of the Gospel bearing credentials from their respective meetings.

The topic assigned for this meeting, viz. — "Manner of conducting public services", was opened by Alice C. Earle with a paper treating the subject from the standpoint of the minister. This was followed by an informal talk by Henry C. Hydelott presenting the ~~claims~~ needs of the congregation in regard to religious worship. Much interest attached to the subject as thus laid before us. Owing to the small attendance at the meeting and the limited time for the discussion it was concluded to continue it at our next meeting in Fall River in 11th month.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to meet at Fall River at the usual time in 11th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Hydelott Clerk -

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 2nd 190

The accounts from the Local meetings on Ministry and Oversight about their representatives to be as follows

Representatives from R.I. — Mary E. Kimber Isaac B. Macomber

Greenwich E. Annah Tucker. Alice E. Stevens Ellen M. Atwater
Anna F. Mattoson.

Swansea Flora Read. Herbert A. Skinner Mead A. Kelsey Charles
A. Chace Frances A. Estes

Providence Ellen K. Buffum Robert B. Hanson Hannah P. Ladd
Sarah J. Hanson

These being called 10 were present and 3 were absent. A suitable reason was given for the absence of one

The Queries were read at this time followed by accounts from the local congregations which have many points of encouragement. Four congregations show a larger attendance upon meetings for worship and in two of these there is a marked increase of spiritual life and power. One meeting finds encouragement in the increased interest among its young people and a noticeable spirit of loving harmony is acknowledged in another meeting. One congregation is seeking to develop and improve the work of its pastoral committee and in all congregations where there is a resident ministry the Gospel has been fully preached and a living concern has been manifest that the careless and indifferent might be aroused and that believers might be strengthened in the faith. Two series of meetings are reported resulting in several professions of faith in Christ. Two congregations are not represented.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Seneca H. Stevens of New York Yearly Meeting and Alfred T. Ware Superintendent of Evangelistic Work for our own Yearly Meeting both ministers of the Gospel.

The topic continued from our last meeting "Manner of conducting public worship" was resumed, Alice Earle Stevens re-reading her paper and Henry C. Hydelott presenting a fresh paper. both of which bore the impress of the guidance of the Holy Spirit in their preparation. The former dwelt upon the characteristics of worship, the varied elements which compose the usual congregation, and the four things which are included in the worship of the individual - viz - prayer, praise, silent meditation & obedience. Only the great Master of Assemblies who knows the varied needs and reads the secrets of every heart can direct the service to the perfect accomplishment of His purpose. We must not limit the Holy Spirit. His control must be supreme in all acceptable service. The true preacher never can preach sermons of theory only. They must be vitalized not only by the breath of the Spirit but by proved power in the daily life of him who utters the message In the past, Friends laid such stress upon silent waiting upon God that an undue repression of outward spiritual activity crushed the life to such an extent that this living silence became more or less a dead form. Let us beware lest in these later days we allow the pendulum to swing too far the other way, get restless and anxious when nothing appears to be going on and insert activities into the period of worship simply to fill up the time. Thus true worship must have the element of prayer, and of praise and these may be united with exhortation, exposition, teaching or periods of silence as the Holy Spirit may direct. The reading of notices or the gathering of the offering for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom need not in any way detract from the reverence of worship, when conducted aright.

The paper read by Henry C. Aydelott was presented under three divisions of the subject –

1st A consideration of the mixed character of the congregation composed as it is of members and non-members

2d A deep and serious trend of thought should pervade all things relating to the service. Even the notices which are given should leave the impression that the service is to be held to the glory of God.

3d The congregation should be so accustomed to a reverent spirit that anything irreverent would be distastoful.

A brief discussion followed in which Alfred T. Ware Mead A. Kelsey and others took part.

It is concluded that the topic for the next meeting shall be "Sanctification" and a committee is appointed to make such divisions of the subject as may seem best and assign the persons who shall present them. The committee is as follows: Phebe . Aydelott. Mary E. Comber and Mead A. Kelsey.

We record our conviction that we have had a most profitable session and with thankful hearts we adjourn to meet, if the Lord will. in Providence in Second month next –

P. S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 2d month 1st 1905

The accounts from the local meetings on Ministry and Oversight, except Greenwich, report their representatives to be as follows, - viz.

Representatives from .Island — Anna L. Manchester   Frederick W. Holman
Isaac B. Macomber   Mary E. Kimber

Greenwich — No representatives. Meeting omitted on account of a severe storm.

Swansea - Obadiah Chace   Phebe J. Aydelott   [illegible] Read
Nancy A. H. Chace   Mead A. Kelsey

Providence - Hannah P. Ladd   Susan Peckham
Robert B. Hanson   Louisa N. Meader

whose names being called 8 responded and 5 were absent

The Queries were read at this time followed by reports from the several congregations which may be summarized as follows: The reports show that the First day morning meetings are generally well attended and the usual interest maintained. Several show an incr of the exercise of spiritual gifts which are being encourag Interest in home and foreign missions work continues. Portsmouth greatly desires the cooperation of a settled pastor and sees much need for house to house visitation. Fall River reports greater attention to the financial requirements of the meeting. Swansea has had a gracious quickening under the ministry of Jesse McPherson. Greenwich shows a good interest in spiritual things Three new members have been added. Anthony meeting has been smaller during the winter and the meeting on Sabbath evening has been temporarily discontinued. The Bible School is well sustained The meeting at Warwick has been closed for the present. Providence has received encouragement by the reception of several families by certificate that are active in Christian service and by the renewed interest of the young people in the Bible school work. Saylesville is earnestly laboring by means of cottage prayer meetings which show good results. and some of the Portuguese residing within their limits are being reached.

In all of our meetings where there is resident ministry the labors of these appear to be adapted to the needs of the congregation.

We have at this time the acceptable company of William and Susan T. Thompson, Ministers of the Gospel from New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Elders for Rhode Island and Swansea

The following Friends have been recommended by their several Monthly Meetings as suitable to occupy the Station of Elder for three years, viz:— From Rhode Island Isaac B. Macomber, Hannah C. Borden, Anna L. Manchester and Elizabeth Hutchison; from Swansea, Rachel P. Chace Adaline F. Chace Sarah C. Skinner and Eliza A. Sisson for three years and Lucinda B. Briggs for two years. These nominations have been duly considered and we are united in our approval of these Friends for Elders and the aforesaid meetings are at liberty to confirm their appointment.

"The representatives to our next meeting are directed to present the name of some Person to serve this meeting as clerk for the ensuing year

The topic assigned for this meeting, namely, "Sanctification" was presented in three divisions of the subject:
Mead A. Kelsey presented the doctrine as held and advocated by George Fox reading various extracts from his writings, showing that his life was but the exponent of his belief.

E. Annah Tucker read a paper on the different schools of thought in connection with Sanctification emphasizing more particularly ~~the~~ the Zinzendorf, the Keswick and the Penticostal movements. While these differ in the theory and the use of terms the experience of holiness in the heart is much the same.

Mary E. Kimber then read a paper on the Scriptural teaching of Sanctification which proved conclusively that this blessing is for the church and that her hands are weak until she gets it. May she heed the command "Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

Having accomplished the business coming before us with much unity we adjourn to meet in East Greenwich at the usual time in 5th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 2nd month 3d 1905

The accounts received from the subordinate meetings report the representatives to this meeting to be as follows:—

Rhode Island. Anna L. Manchester Laura A. Oswell
Isaac B. Macomber

Greenwich Ellen M. Atwater E. Annah Tucker Alice E.
Stevens, Christopher A. Shippee Anna Merrill
Carrie G. Buffinton

Swansea Mead A. Kelsey. Chas A. Chace Henry C.
Aydelott Phebe S. Aydelott.

Providence Hannah P. Ladd Sarah J. Hanson and
Robert B. Hanson

Whose names being called 12 responded and 4 were absent: satisfactory reasons were given for the absence of three.

The time having expired for which the clerk is appointed S. J. Hanson reported for the representatives that they are united in the re-appointment of Phebe S. Aydelott as clerk and in the appointment of E. Annah Tucker as assistant clerk with which we unite and they are accordingly appointed to serve the meeting for the ensuing year.

All of our meetings have been regularly held.

The queries have been read at this time together with reports from the subordinate meetings describing their present spiritual state, a summary of which is directed to be prepared and forwarded to the next Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight by our Representatives who are appointed as follows — viz:

M. Augusta Batley Maud A. Kelsey Alice C. Stevens E. Annah Tucker, Henry C. Aydelott, George G. Williams

We have at this time the acceptable company of Jesse McPherson ~~a minister of the Gospel~~ from Salem Mo. Mtg and of Seneca H. Stevens from New York Yearly Meeting both recorded Ministers of the Gospel.

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings to occupy the office of Elder for three years — viz —

From Providence — Ellen K. Buffum Louisa A. Mears Sarah J. Hanson Hannah P. Ladd + Eliza Ann Butler

From Greenwich — Anna Merrill John Babcock and Bessie G. Buffinton. These nominations have been duly considered and we are united in our approval of these Friends for Elders. The aforesaid meetings are now at liberty to take the further steps for their appointment.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3rd mo 1st 1905

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers Annabella E. Winn John S. Kimber Delia Rees Mary E. Kimber George G. Williams Alice M. Colman. 6

Elders Cornelia A. Barker. Fred W. Holman Anna L. Manchester Hannah C. Borden Elizabeth Hutchison. Isaac B. Macomber. 6

Overseers Laura Oswell Robert C. Wilkins Emily A. Holman David J. Hutchison, Edward C. Faulkner Fredrika Baltz. William H. Chace 7

Total 19

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers William H. Perry Alice C. Earle
E. Annah Tucker Byron O. Salsbury
Anna F. Matteson 5

Elders: Christopher A. Shippee Henry D. Tucker
Sarah M. Carpenter Ellen M. Atwater
Mary C. Arnold Hannah E. Bennett. Anna
Merrill. John Babcock Carrie G. Buffinton.
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Overseers. Mary W. Weeden Moses L. Buffinton
George E. Mattey. 3 Total 17

Swansea Monthly Meeting

Ministers. Obadiah Chace Mead A. Kelsey
Henry C. Aydelott Phebe S. Aydelott
Nancy A. H. Chace 5

Elders. Lemuel Chace Esther Chace
Adaline H. Chace Rachel P. Chace
Lucinda B. Briggs Flora Read Eliza A.
Sisson Herbert A. Skinner Sarah C. Skinner
Eliz L. Newton A. Felix Burns 11

Overseers. Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace
Ralph Earle. Frances A. Estes, Emma B.
Buffinton Henry C. Chace. Robert A. Lawton.
Marianna H. Chace Phineas D. Fletcher
Thomas A. Briggs Mary K. Talbott
Mary L. Simmons 12 Total 28

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers. Thomas J. Battey. Robert B.
Hanson William H. Butler Thomas G.
Jackson 4

Elders. Ellen K. Buffum Louisa A. Meader Hannah P. Ladd. Sarah J. Hanson Eliza A. Butler Augustus Jones Asenath Tetlow. Eliz A. Gifford Charles Gibson Susan Peckham Walter E. Meader M. Augusta Batty Valentine E Meader 13

Overseers. Anna A. Meader Abbie S. Carey James H. Eaton 3 Total 20

Total Membership. 84

This meeting is united in the appointment of a committee to whom shall be entrusted the choice of a subject for discussion at our next meeting and select the person or persons who shall present it. The committee is as follows:- Mead A. Kelsey Henry C. Hydelott and Asenath Tetlow

The business of this meeting having been accomplished with much harmony we adjourn to meet in Newport at the usual time in 8th mo next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Hydelott Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 2d 1905

The accounts from our subordinate meetings report the following as representatives to this meeting - viz -

Rhode Island — Emily A. Holman, Elizabeth Hutchison, Mary E. Kimber, Isaac B. Macomber
Greenwich — E. Hannah Tucker, Alice E. Stevens
Swansea — Obadiah Chace, Henry C. Aydelott, Samuel Chace. Elizabeth S. Newton, Phebe S. Aydelott
Providence — Susan Peckham and Sarah J. Hanson
whose names being called all were present.

The Queries have been read at this time.

Reports from Subordinate meetings

The reports from our four subordinate meetings show a freshness and life which is encouraging and a sense of personal responsibility is apparent. In most cases the attendance is sustained. Where there are evidences of any weakness or declension in the spiritual life it has claimed prayerful attention.

The value of a spirit-filled ministry in all our meetings is recognized and greatly to be desired. Care has been extended toward the development of the special gifts among us.

The representatives to our last Yearly meeting report that all attended except one.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to propose a subject for this meeting reported that they were united in proposing that some selections be read from papers presented to the third General Conference of Friends held in 1897 bearing upon the duties of Elders and Overseers, and the clerk of this meeting was selected as reader. Some discussion followed bearing upon the spiritual condition of the Church and its upbuilding through pastoral agencies.

It is proposed and united with, that for our next meeting, after disposing of the routine business, we resolve ourselves into a body for prayer and conference seeking definitely the outpouring of the Spirit as a preparation for service in any office in the Church to which He may call us.

The business of the meeting being accomplished in the unity of the Spirit we adjourn to meet in Fall River in 11th mo next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 1st 1905

By reports from the subordinate meetings we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are as follows:—

Rhode Island John S. Kimber Elizabeth Hutchinson
Emily A. Holman Isaac B. Macomber
Greenwich E. Annah Tucker Alice E. Stevens Carrie G. Buffinton
Ellen M. Atwater Anna Merrill.
Swansea Ralph Earle Herbert A. Skinner Lucinda B.
Briggs, Charles A. Chace and Sarah Corey.
Providence M. Augusta Batty, Ellen K. Buffum Susan Peckham
Louisa N. Meader and Robert B. Hanson
Of these 15 were present & 4 were absent.

The Queries have been read in this meeting, and reports are at hand from all the subordinate meetings describing their spiritual condition. Some are able to report a larger attendance not only of the meetings on the Sabbath but of the Bible Schools as well, and some growth in the spiritual life. Work in the interest of Foreign Missions is emphasized by one congregation but we have reason to believe that in all our borders there is a growing desire to fulfil the great commission of our Lord. It is interesting to learn that in one meeting, young people are showing a practical interest in the growth and development of the Church. We grieve over the lack of unity in one meeting and in the dearth of ministry in another, all of which claims our sympathy and prayers.

The meeting now resolved itself into a season of concerted prayer for the outpouring of the Spirit upon our Quarterly Meeting and upon the special sessions to be held on the morrow. A portion of Scripture was read followed by remarks as to the reasonableness of such a service for the Church. As members of the body of Christ we should be habitually alert in personal intercession in order that there shall be an expression of heart-communion with God when we meet together, and that the actual experience of the hour shall be lifted above the level of a mere experiment. The occasion proved to be a blessing to all in the comfort of a duty performed and in the realization of the fact that intercessory prayer is a source of power in the Church.

A proposition was made that we consider at the next meeting the following topic viz
"How shall we make our Bible schools more efficient as an evangelizing force in our meetings."
This was referred to a committee consisting of Henry C. Aydelott Asenath Tilton & E. Annah Tucker with power to choose this or substitute another and select the person or persons to present it.

The business of the meeting being accomplished, we adjourned to meet in Providence at the usual time before the next quarterly meeting if the Lord wills.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 1st month 21st 1906

The representatives to this meeting appointed by our subordinate meetings are as follows: -

Rhode Island. Mary E. Kimber Hannah C. Borden Emily A. Coleman
Robert C. Wetherell Frederick H. Coleman
Greenwich. Christopher A. Slippee Anna Merrill Alice C. Slocum
E. Hannah Tucker Lydia E. Drinkwater.
Swansea Charles Estes Frances A. Estes. Obadiah Chace
Phebe S. Hydeletts Charles H. Chace
Providence Eliza Butler William H. Butler Susan Peckham
Louisa N. Meader Robert B. Hanson

Which being called 17 were present and 3 absent

The Queries were read at this time, also the reports from the several congregations within our limits touching their spiritual condition which may be briefly summarized as follows:—

The condition and attendance of the meetings have kept up to the usual standard. At Tiverton regular services are held each Sabbath, and a mid-week prayer meeting is sustained and these together with the re organization of the Bible School furnishes ground for encouragement. A week day Bible class has been organized in Newport. Greenwich reports one series of meetings having been held and a noticable deepening in the divine life. Swansea reports that weekly Cottage meetings have been held with good results. Providence notes an increase of interest and attendance in the Bible School and the formation of a Home Missionary Society which promises to be very useful. The Gospel has been preached in all our meetings but pastoral care is limited.

Elders

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings as suitable to occupy the station of Elder - viz -
From Rhode Island Cornelia Barker to serve for one year and Frederick W. Holman and Laura A. Oswell for three years
Swansea: — A. Felix Burns, Mary D. Sherwood and Lemuel Chace to serve for three years, and Caroline W. De Blois for one year in place of Esther Chace deceased. These nominations have been duly considered and this meeting expresses its approval of the persons thus reported. The above-named Monthly Meetings are now at liberty to proceed with their appointment to the station of Elder as way may open for it. The topic assigned for this meeting - viz - "How shall we make our Bible Schools more efficient as an evangelizing force in our meetings?" was now taken up and William H. Butler opened the subject " The chief object of the Bible School should be to so teach what the Scriptures say about Jesus that he may find Him to be *his* Saviour. Our Bible Schools are to be held not simply to do as others may do, but to promulgate a message which God has designed for us, and by means of these we can teach the letter of Scripture and the doctrines of Friends more effectively than through any other agency. If Jesus is to be lifted up so as to draw all men unto Him, the Bible School teacher has the best opportunity to do this for those under her charge and thus it may be a mighty power in cooperation with the Spirit for the evangelization of the young. A large majority of those who accept Christ do so before they are 20 years of age after this the chance of their salvation grows smaller and the work of teaching more difficult.

Every teacher should make it his aim to be a soul winner and to have every member of his class a Christian. Preparation for this teaching should be in the secret closet in prayer before God. This would mean a knowledge of sins forgiven; of being in touch with divine things; a love for God, and a thirst for souls."

Practical hints were given by others as follows —

"The teacher must find the living Word within the word"

"The teacher must speak with authority out of a personal experience"

"Decision Day is a great power for good if wisely advocated and when the children are converted the church should be ready to throw its arms of strength and protection around them and receive them as members."

"Pray always in the class; hold teachers' conferences for mutual helpfulness and encouragement. Let love be the dominating power in all our work"

As an illustration of what may be accomplished in the line of evangelization in the Bible School a class of 84 members was mentioned when through the blessing of the Lord and the work of a faithful teacher 81 of these were converted."

The representatives to our next meeting are directed to present the names of two Friends to serve as Clerk and Ass't Clerk for the ensuing year.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we adjourn to meet in East Greenwich at the usual time before the Quarterly Meeting in 5th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 5th month 2d 1906

The Representatives to this meeting from our subordinate meetings are as follows viz-

Rhode Island Mary E. Kimber, John S. Kimber, Fred W. Holman
Isaac B. Macomber
reenwich Alice E. Stevens, Ellen M. Atwater
Carrie G. Buffinton Annah Merrill E. Annah Tucker
wansea Charles A. Chace Phebe S. Aydelott Obadiah Chace
Eliza A. Sisson
rovidence Ellen K. Buffum Robert B. Hanson Susan Peckham
Asenath Tetlow

Of these 12 responded to their names when called and 4 were absent.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed Robert B. Hanson on behalf of the representatives reported that they are united in the reappointment of Phebe S. Aydelott as clerk and of E. Annah Tucker as assistant clerk which nominations are united with and they are accordingly appointed to serve the meeting for the ensuing year

The Queries have been read at this time, and the quarterly reports of the subordinate meetings describing their spiritual condition have also been before us for consideration. A summary of these has been prepared which with other information, is directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight next to be held at Providence by the following Friends who are appointed to attend that meeting as our representatives viz-
John S. Kimber, Asenath Tetlow, Lydia E. Drinkwater,
Susan Peckham Hannah P. Ladd Charles A. Chace
and Obadiah Chace

We have at this time the acceptable company of Jefferson W. Ford a minister of the Gospel from Cleveland Monthly Meeting Ohio. We welcome our brother in the love of the Gospel believing that his labors in our midst will be a blessing and help to us.

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings as suitable to occupy the station of Elder for three years, — viz —
By Greenwich Mo. Mtg. Edwin M. Perry, Sarah M. Carpenter, and Emma D. Tucker.
By Providence Mo. Mtg. Elizabeth A. Gifford Charles Sisson
Annette Tilton and J. Erskine Tobey.
These nominations have been duly considered and this meeting approves of the persons thus named.
The above named monthly meetings are now at liberty to proceed with their appointment to the office of Elder as way may open for it.

The changes which have occurred in the Ministers of this meeting during the year ending 3rd mo 1st 1906 are as follows — viz —
George F. Williams has removed by certificate to Lawrence Monthly Meeting Massachusetts 9 mo 25, 1905
Alice M. Coleman has removed by certificate to Oskaloosa Monthly Meeting Iowa 1 mo 25, 1905
Mead A. Kelsey has removed to Winthrop Monthly Meeting in Maine 7th mo 1905
Samuel B. Stone has been received from Poughkeepsie Monthly Meeting New York into Greenwich Monthly Meeting

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3rd mo 1st 1906

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers: Anabella E. Winn, John F. Kimber
Mary E. Kimber, Delia Rees. 4
Elders: Anna L. Manchester Elizabeth Hutchison
Cornelia A. Becker, Fred W. Holman Hannah E.
Borden Laura Oswell. Isaac B. Macomber 7
Overseers: Robert C. Wilkinson, Emily A. Holman.
David J. Hutchison Edward C. Faulkner.
Fredericka Bolle William E. Chace, Emma Handy. 7
Total 18

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers: Alice E. Stearns. Byron C. Salisbury,
Anna F. Barron (formerly Mattison) William C. Perry,
Seneca H. Stearns, E. Annah Tucker. 6
Elders: Christopher A. Shippee Henry D. Tucker
Sarah M. Rochester, Ellen M. Atwater, Mary C.
Arnold, Hannah E. Bennett. Anna Morrill.
John Babcock Susan C. Buffinton. 9
Overseers: George Matley 1
Total 16

Swansea Monthly Meeting

Ministers: Obadiah Chace Henry C. Aydelott
Phebe S. Aydelott Nancy A. H. Chace 4
Elders: Lemuel Chace Adaline F. Chace
Rachel P. Chace. Lucinda B. Briggs. Eliza A. Sisson.
Herbert A. Skinner, Sarah C. Skinner, A. Foley Barnes,
Elizabeth S. Norton Mary D. Sherwood Caroline D. DeBlois 11
Overseers: Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace, Ralph Estes,
Frances A. Estes, Emma B. Buffinton, Henry C. Chace,
Robert A. Lawton, Marianna S. Chace, Mary K. Talbot,
Phineas D. Fletcher, Thomas A. Briggs. Hope Read,
Mary E. Simmons. 13
Total 28

Providence Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: Thomas J. Battey, Robert B. Hanson
William H. Butler. Thomas G. Jackson 4
Elders: Susan Peckham M. Augusta Battey.
Valentine E. Mead, Ellen K. Buffum. Louisa A.
Meader. Sarah J. Hanson, Hannah P. Ladd
Eliza A. Butler, Elizabeth A. Gifford,
Asenith Tatum, Charles Sisson 11
Overseers: Anna A. Meader, James G. Seaton 3
Total 17

Total membership 79

The business of the meeting being accomplished we adjourn to meet at Newport at the usual time in 8th month next if the Lord permit.

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport Eighth Month 1st 1906

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting from our subordinate meetings are as follows:

Rhode Elizabeth Hutchison, Robert C. Wetherall
Island Laura A. Oswell, Isaac B. Macomber
Greenwich Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater
E. Annah Tucker.
Swansea Elizabeth S. Newton Charles A. Chace
Henry C. Aydelott
Providence Asenath Sutton Susan Peckham

These being called 8 were found to be present and 4 were absent.

The representatives to our last Yearly Meeting reported their attendance of the same except one.

The queries were read at this time followed by reports relating to the spiritual state of the several congregations composing this meeting. While the attendance of meetings for discipline has apparently diminished we are encouraged to learn by the reports that three congregations report an increased attendance on meetings for worship, and several note encouraging aspects of growth and of spiritual development. It is cause for sorrow that there should be a hint of disunity in one locality. This should incite all of our members to greater watchfulness and more earnest prayer. The character of the ministry is adapted to the needs of the congregations which are blessed with the labors of these servants of Christ.

Rhode Island Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight reports that prayerful and weighty consideration of the matter strengthens the impression that the time has fully come when the gift of our sister Annie C. Sherman be recognized and she recorded as a Minister among us. In view of this information we appoint Henry C. Aydelott Hannah T. Ladd Ralph Earle E. Armington Tucker and Fredrika Bolté, as a committee to consider the subject and note the evidences of those qualifications for a Minister of the Gospel as outlined in the Uniform Discipline and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

It is concluded that the subject of Denominational Ideals shall be considered at our next meeting and shall be presented by Henry C. Aydelott

We have been earnestly exhorted to maintain a closer walk with God and to seek the definite baptism of the Holy Spirit for only by such means can the Church be built up and souls be saved.

Under a sense of our need and of God's power to supply that need we adjourn this meeting, proposing if it be the Lord's will, to meet at the usual time before the next quarterly meeting at Fall River.

P. S. Aydelott
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 10th month 31st 1906

The representatives to this meeting from the subordinate meetings are as follows

Rhode Island Elizabeth Hutchinson John S. Kimber,
Fred W. Holman Isaac R. Macomber
Greenwich Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater
E. Annah Tucker
Swansea A. Foley Burns Elizabeth S. Newton and
Henry S. Aydelott
Providence Ellen R. Buffum Susan Peckham Hannah F. Lea

These being called 11 responded to their names and 2 were absent

The queries were read at this time followed by reports of the spiritual condition of the several congregations which may be summarized as follows:-

A very good attendance of the members upon meetings for worship on First day, well sustained interest, and quickening of spiritual life is reported from Newport Swansea and Providence.

In Portsmouth and Anthony the attendance is about normal and there is some evidence of the development of ministerial gifts

In Greenwich & Fall River there is a smaller attendance upon meetings but among the few there is much fervency of spirit. Providence reports the re-opening of the evening meeting where the consideration of topics connected with the growth of the church has produced helpful results.

Increasing interest is reported in all Bible Schools in the quarterly meeting with two exceptions

In one meeting house-to-house visitation is emphasized, and in another, cottage meetings have proved a means of grace. General satisfactio is expressed with the character of the ministry.

Flavilla S. Roberts a Minister of the Gospel from China Monthly Meeting, Maine, is acceptably with us. We welcome her in the name of the Lord

As proposed at our last meeting, H. C. Aydelott presented a paper on the subject of Denominational Ideals. Its purpose was to show by statistics as to the relative results in gathering to Christ within the limits of Rhode Island quarterly meeting by a denomination practising the ceremony of the Lords Supper and the one that does not.

The argument from the facts in each case are 1st: that the ideal of the Friends in being joined to Christ as members of His body as the branches to the vine, is more to be desired than being drawn to Him by a ceremony in commemoration of His death. and 2d: that Friends claiming the possibility of such a union with Christ should have been as zealous in demonstrating the fact to the world of such a living union, as those have been who hold the Sacrament as securing the numerical ideal.

The business of this meeting has been attended with an unusual degree of interest. and we now adjourn to meet at Providence at the usual time before the quarterly meeting in 2d mo next.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 3rd month 6th 1907

The representatives from the subordinate meetings appointed to attend this meeting are as follows:

Rhode Island Fredrika Bolte Hannah C. Borden
Island Frederick W. Holman Isaac B. Macomber
reenwich Anna Merrill E. Annah Tucker
Christopher A. Shippee
ansea) Frances A. Estes, Charles A. Chace. Obadiah Chace
Phebe S. Hydelott
rovidence) Elizabeth A. Gifford Susan Peckham

These being called 8 responded to their names and 5 were absent.

The following Ministers are most acceptably with us and their preaching has been profitable and edifying, viz: Charles H. Jones and his wife H. Elizabeth Jones from Salem Quarterly Meeting and William Thompson of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

The queries were read in this meeting followed by reports of the spiritual condition of the subordinate meetings.

Favorable mention is made of the attendance of meetings, a good degree of interest is shown in the Bible schools, and the character of the ministry seems to be adapted to the needs of the fields where the service is rendered. One series of meetings was held where conversions occurred and believers were stimulated. Young people also became seemingly thoughtful. There seems to be no fresh evidence of the reception of spiritual gifts

The committee appointed in 8th month last in the case of Annie C. Sherman of Newport has reported as follows - viz:

Report -

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight -

The committee to whom was referred the proposition from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to record Annie C. Sherman as a Minister of the Gospel, would report careful consideration of the subject. The instructions of the Discipline have been strictly observed and we are united in judgment that she is a proper person to be so acknowledged.

On behalf of the committee
Henry C. Aydelott
Hannah P. Ladd

This report is satisfactory and the clerk is authorized to inform Rhode Island Monthly Meeting that it is at liberty to take the further steps in recognition and acknowledgment of her gift as a Minister of the Gospel as may seem advisable to the aforesaid meeting.

Greenwich Mo Meeting reports that it is united in recommending the following Friends to serve as Elders viz — Elizabeth C. Newton, Herbert A. Skinner, Caroline H. DeBlois and Lucinda B. Briggs for three years and Sarah B. Corey to serve as Elder for 2 years in place of Mary D. Thurnall who is released from membership at her own request. This meeting expressed its approval of the persons thus named and for the time specified and the aforesaid Monthly Meeting is at liberty to proceed with their appointment.

The time for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, the representatives to our present meeting will confer together and report the names of suitable persons to serve this meeting for the ensuing year.

The business of this meeting being accomplished we adjourn to meet at East Greenwich at the usual time in 8th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich fifth month 1st 1907

The representatives from the subordinate meetings appointed to attend this meeting are as follows. viz:

From Rhode Island Anna L. Manchester & Laura A. Oswell

Greenwich Mary W. Weeden Anna Merrill Ellen M. Atwater
Carrie G. Buffinton E. Annah Tucker

Swansea Phebe S. Aydelott Adaline F. Chace Lemuel Chace
George B. Evans.

Providence Hannah P. Ladd Louisa N. Meader
Susan Peckham & William H. Butler

Of these 10 were present and 8 were absent

The representatives report the nomination of Phebe S. Aydelott for clerk and E. Annah Tucker for assistant clerk to serve for the ensuing year which recommendations were confirmed by the meeting.

The queries were read at this time followed by reports of the present state of our meetings. a summary of which has been prepared and is directed to be forwarded to the next Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight by the following Friends who are appointed to serve as our representatives, viz

M. Augusta Battey John S. Kimber
Adaline P. Chace Thomas J. Battey

The summary report is as follows — The reports from the congregations composing two of our monthly meetings show no material gain in attendance on the sabbath services while the other meetings speak of a definite improvement in that respect. The character of the ministry is adapted to the needs of the several congregations. An earnest desire is expressed that others should be raised up among the young to share in the responsibility of ministering to the spiritual wants of the church. The spiritual life of the members finds expression in various lines. In some cases it is shown by a larger attendance of the Bible School with a keener appreciation of the truths as taught there; in others more interest is felt in the evening meeting while others still are developing gifts through missionary and other beneficent work. In one instance a congregation has taken up the study of the life of the Apostle Paul on First day evenings following him in his journeys and reading his epistles in the light of his varied experiences. The evidence of spiritual gifts is watched for and welcomed accompanied by fervent prayer that none may be disobedient to the heavenly vision.

Meetings for worship are regularly held at Moses Brown School whenever the School is in session.

and the ministry is of a character to strengthen and help those who gather there. A monthly class for the study of the Quaker message is also held there and papers have been prepared for these meetings by the pupils of the School and other interested Friends which have been the means of awakening much interest in the subject.

The changes in the ministry in this quarterly meeting are as follows: viz—
Seneca E. and Alice E. [illegible] have removed from Greenwich monthly meeting into New York Yearly Meeting and Delia Rees has also removed into the same Yearly Meeting from Rhode Island monthly meeting. George B. Evans has been received into Swansea monthly meeting from New York Yearly Meeting

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings as qualified to occupy the station of Elder.
By Rhode Island monthly meeting - Cornelia A. Barker for a term of three years
By Greenwich monthly meeting - Ellen M. Atwater Christopher A. Shippee Hannah E. Bennett also for three years
These nominations have been duly considered and this meeting approves of the Friends thus named for that service. The above-named monthly meetings are now at liberty to proceed with their appointment as way may open for it.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3d mo 1st 1907

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Ministers Mary E. Kimber. Anabella C. Winn
John S. Kimber 3

Elders Anna L. Manchester. Hannah C. Borden
Cornelia A. Barker. Fred W. Holman
Laura A. Oswell. Isaac B. Macomber. 6

Overseers Robert E. Wetherell. Emily A. Holman
Frederika Bolte Edward C. Faulkner
William H. Chace Emma Lumbly 6

Total 15

Greenwich Monthly Meeting

Ministers. William H. Perry. Byron O. Salsbury
Anna F. Brown. E. Annah Tucker.

Elders Elvira M. Perry. Sarah M. Carpenter
Henry D. Tucker Anna Merrill
John Babcock Carrie G. Buffinton
Ellen M. Atwater. Hannah C. Bennett 8

Overseers Lydia E. Drinkwater 1

Total 13

Swansea Monthly Meeting

Ministers Obadiah Chace. Henry C. Aydelott.
Phebe S. Aydelott George B. Evans.
Nancy A. H. Chace 5

Elders Elizabeth S. Newton Herbert A. Skinner
Caroline W. De Blois Lucinda B. Briggs
Rachel P. Chace Adaline F. Chace
Sarah C. Skinner Eliza A. Sisson
A. Philip Evans. Lemuel Chace
Sarah E. Corey 11

Overseers Charles Estes. Charles A. Chace
Ralph Earle. Frances A. Estes Emma R. Buffinton
Henry E. Chace Robert A. Lawton Marianna T. Chace
Eliza A. Sisson. Phineas L. Fletcher Thomas A. Briggs
Mary R. Talbot Flora Read Mary L. Simmons 14
Total 30

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers Robert M. Hanson Thomas J. Battey
William H. Butler Thomas J. Jackson 4
Elders Ellen R. Buffum Hannah P. Ladd Susan
Peckham. M. Augusta Battey Louisa H. Meader.
S. C. Toby. Aseneth Tilton. Elizabeth A. Gifford
Charles Sisson. Valentine Meader Eliza O. Butler
Sarah J. Hanson 12
Overseers James G. Seaton Anna A. Meader 2
Total 18

Total membership 76

This meeting unites in recommending to the Quarterly Meeting that the Yearly Meeting next to convene in Portland be asked to consider the advisability of laying down the meeting of Ministry and Oversight and have the subjects which now claim the attention of this meeting, taken into the sittings of the Yearly Meeting at large with ample time given for their consideration.

Adjourned to meet 5th mo 2d at 1:30 P.M. to consider a proposition from Providence monthly meeting in regard to Elders - Phebe J. Aydelott Clerk

Fifth month 2d met according to adjournment.

Providence Monthly Meeting informs that it is united in proposing the appointment of Elders for three years as follows - viz -

M. Augusta Batty Susan Peckham
Valentine Meader Seth K. Gifford.

These nominations have been duly considered and the Friends thus named **are** fully approved for the station of Elder. Providence monthly meeting is now at liberty to proceed with their appointment as indicated by the discipline.

This meeting then adjourned to meet at Newport at the usual time previous to the next quarterly meeting if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Newport Seventh month 31st 1907

The reports from the subordinate meetings give the following Friends as representatives to this meeting - viz -

Rhode Island	Robert Wetherell John S. Kimber Samuel H. Hodges Hannah C. Borden Annie C. Sherman
Greenwich	Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater E. Annah Tucker
Swansea	Phebe S. Aydelott. Flora Read. Thomas A. Briggs George B. Evans
Providence	Susan Peckham Louisa V. Meader

These being called 9 responded and 6 were absent. Satisfactory reason was given for absence of one.

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting report their attendance of the same with one exception.

The following Ministers of the Gospel with credentials from Sandwich Monthly Meeting have been acceptably with us and their service has been both profitable and edifying; viz: Enos Harvey, who is accompanied by his wife Mary M. Harvey an Elder, and Elam Henderson.

The queries have been read at this time. The several Local Mtgs on Ministry & Oversight have reported the spiritual condition of the congregations within their limits which correspond in general conditions to those of the preceding quarter.

The truths of the Gospel have been clearly set before us and as we have looked into the perfect law of liberty it has caused great thankfulness that we have such a message to proclaim to the world. Shall we obey God and give the invitation? With this solemn question pressing upon us we adjourn this meeting trusting that when we meet in the 11th month next at Fall River it shall be with a deeper spirit of willingness to obey the commandments of our God -

P. S. Hydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11th mo 6th 1907

The reports from the subordinate meetings give the names of the following persons as representatives to this meeting viz.

Rhode Island Emma H. Hodges, Mary E. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges, John S. Kimber, Annie E. Sherman, Laura A. Oswell, Isaac B. Macomber,
Greenwich Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater
E. Annah Tucker
Swansea Elizabeth S. Newton George B. Evans
Adeline F. Chace Henry C. Aydelott
Providence Asenath Felton M. Augusta Battey
Louisa N. Meader James G. Felton

who being called 12 were present and 6 were absent

We have the acceptable company of the following ministers of the Gospel, viz: Clarence M. Case now residing at Moses Brown School and L. Oscar Moon who has recently removed to Fall River to serve as pastor in that meeting. The Gospel messages brought to us by these brethren in Christ have been both practical and helpful.

The queries have been read at this time and were followed by the usual reports from the several congregations in this Quarterly Meeting. There is much in these reports which is similar in character to those of the preceding three months but some features of the work ~~are~~ may be emphasized. City mission work and open-air meetings are found to be a blessing in one meeting. Neighborhood prayer meetings have been helpful in one locality, while the mid-week prayer meetings at the meeting-house in another congregation have developed an earnest desire to reach out a helping hand to the unsaved.

There is an encouraging feature on the part of the young people in ~~our~~ meeting to unite themselves in loving service with the older and more experienced members. Providence reports an average attendance of 60 and Swansea of 85 persons at the regular Sabbath morning services. The meetings at Anthony and at Freetown are reported as diminishing in the attendance each week mainly because of the dearth of ministry in their midst. These facts led to an earnest discussion looking toward a solution of the difficulties.

Having accomplished the business coming before us we adjourn to meet in Providence at the usual time in 2d month next if the Lord will.

Phebe L. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence 2d mo 5th 1908. By reports from the subordinate meetings we are informed that the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows viz.

presentatives from hode Island — Hannah E. Borden. Mary E. Kimber. Emma H. Hodges Samuel H. Hodges

reenwich — Christopher A. Shippee E. Annah Tucker. Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater.

wansea — L. Oscar Moon, Frances A. Estes. Charles Estes.

Providence — Aseneth Fellow, Louisa A. Meader. William H. Butler. Albert R. Macomber.

These being called 12 responded to their names and 3 were absent.

The queries were read at this time followed by reports of the spiritual state of the several congregations which indicate in the main a growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Monthly Meetings of Rhode Island and Swansea have recommended the following Friends as suitable to occupy the office of Elder in their respective meetings viz: In Rhode Island - Isaac B. Macomber Hannah C. Borden and Anna L. Manchester to serve for three years; Cordelia Lawrence and Fredrika Bolti for two years; Emma M. Hambly for one year.

Elders in R. Island

In Swansea — Rachel P. Chace, Adeline F. Chace, Sarah C. Skinner, Eliza A. Sisson to serve for three years.

Elders in Swansea

These nominations have been duly considered and we are united in our approval of these Friends for the station of Elder, and the aforesaid meetings are now at liberty to take the further steps required by discipline to confirm the appointment.

The representatives to our next meeting which meets in East Greenwich are directed to confer together and present the names of persons to serve as clerk and assistant clerk for the ensuing year

The business of the meeting having been accomplished with much unity we adjourn to meet in East Greenwich in 5th month next at the usual time if the Lord will.

E. Annah Tucker. Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich fifth month 6th 1908. By the accounts received from each of the subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives. viz

rom Rhode Anna L. Manchester, Mary E. Kimber, Annie C. Sherman
sland John S. Kimber, Hannah C. Borden, Samuel H. Hodges.
reenwich Ellen M. Atwater, Christopher A. Shippee
E. Annah Tucker.
wansea Thomas A. Briggs, L. Oscar Moon, Adaline F. Chace
Phebe S. Aydelott
rovidence Asenath Tellow Louisa N. Meader Wm. H. Butler
Hannah P. Ladd -

whose names being called 13 responded and 4 were reported as absent.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting report the nomination of Phebe S. Aydelott for clerk, and E Annah Tucker for assistant clerk ~~to serve for the ensuing year~~ which recommendations met the approval of this meeting and they are accordingly appointed to the above named positions for the ensuing year.
The queries were read followed by reports of the spiritual state of the several meetings composing this quarterly meeting, a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the next Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held in Providence, by the following Friends who are appointed to serve as our representatives to that meeting, viz: Samuel H. Hodges, Annie C. Sherman, John S. Kimber, E. Annah Tucker, Ellen M. Atwater, Carrie G. Buffinton, Rachel P. Chace George B. Evans Charles A. Chace, Hannah P. Ladd, M. Augusta Bailey, L. Oscar Moon.

The summary of the reports is as follows. There are eight established meetings in this quarterly meeting, in six of which there is a resident minister or a pastor, and the Gospel services of these seem to be adapted to the needs of the several congregations in which they labor and is edifying and acceptable. Two meetings are largely sustained through the services of ministers and workers from outside their limits. The attendance of meetings for worship is up to the average standard and in two instances is reported as increasing. An encouraging feature is the regularity of attendance among the young people at all forms of church service. Conversions are reported in three Bible schools which have resulted in consequent additions to the membership of the meeting. There is some evidence of the development of spiritual gifts and an effort is being made to deal wisely and tenderly with such. One meeting emphasizes the growth of the spirit of prayer both publicly and privately which has added to the life and power of the members. In several places various lines of practical Christian work have been taken up. One evening meeting is mentioned where the young and old work together most unitedly in sympathy and service, and where there is included with the spiritual teaching, such subjects as Foreign Missions, Temperance, the social side of Christian work, Peace &c which tends to bind the members more closely together in the bonds of Christian fellowship. What is said in one report may be taken as the desire of all. "May this body of Friends make itself felt as a real power for good in bringing the life and light of Jesus Christ to many lives about us."

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings as suitable to occupy the office of Elder for a term of three years, viz: By Providence monthly meeting, Ellen R. Buffum, Sarah J. Hanson Louisa H. Meader, Eliza Ann Rutter, Hannah P. Ladd Albert R. Macomber. By Greenwich monthly meeting Anna Merrill, John Babcock and Carrie G. Buffinton. These nominations have been duly considered and we are united in our approval of these Friends to serve as Elders and the aforesaid meetings are now at liberty to confirm their appointment.

The changes in the ministry of this meeting are as follows

Obadiah Chase deceased 5/19 1907 aged 84 yrs.

Samuel H. and Emma H. Hodges received by certificate from New York Yearly Meeting

L. Oscar Moon received by certificate from Kansas Yearly Meeting.

It is proposed that the theme for our next meeting at Newport shall be Prayer. Samuel H. Hodges, L. Oscar Moon and Mary E. Kimber are appointed to present the subject in such phases as may seem to them most helpful.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as revised to 3rd mo 1st 1908

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting (20)

Ministers: Anabella E. Winn, Samuel H. Hodges John S. Kimber Mary E. Kimber, Emma H. Hodges Annie C. Sherman 6

Elders: Anna L. Manchester, Hannah C. Bord
Cornelia A. Barker, Frederick W. Holman
Laura A. Oswell Emma Hambly, Fredrika Bolte
Cordelia Lawrence Isaac B. Macomber 9
Overseers: Winfield S. Sisson, Emily Holman
Alfred H. Borden, Robert C. Wetherell. Wm H.
Chace Jr, 5

Greenwich Monthly Meeting (13)
Ministers: William H. Perry, E. Annah Tucker,
Byron C. Salsbury, Anna F. Bunn 4
Elders: Ellen M. Atwater, Hannah E. Bennett,
Christopher A. Shippee, Elvira M. Perry, Sarah
M. Carpenter, Henry C. Tucker, Anna Merrill,
John Babcock, Carrie G. Buffinton 9

Swansea Monthly Meeting (26)
Ministers: Henry C. Hydelott, Phebe S. Hydelott,
George B. Evans, L. Oscar Moon, Nancy A. H. Chace
Elders: Rachel P. Chace, Adeline F. Chace, Sarah
C. Skinner, Eliza A. Sisson, A. Foley Burns,
Sarah B. Covey, Lemuel Chace, Elizabeth S. Newton
Justina H. Chace Lucinda B. Briggs 10
Overseers: Charles Estes Charles A. Chace
Ralph Earle. Frances A. Estes, Emma B. Buf-
finton, Henry E. Chace, Robert A. Lawton
Marianna N. Chace Phineas L. Fletcher,
Thomas A. Briggs Amelia Wild 11

Providence Monthly Meeting (18)
Ministers: Wm H. Butler, Robert B. Hanson,
Thomas J. Battey, Thomas G. Jackson, 4
Elders: Ellen K. Buffum Louisa H. Meader,
Sarah J. Hanson, Hannah P. Ladd,
Eliza A. Butler, Elizabeth A. Gifford
Charles Sisson, Asenath Tetlow L. Caroline
Tobey, M. Augusta Bailey, Susan Peckham
Valentine E. Meader Seth K. Gifford 13

Overseer James G. Seaton 1
Total membership 77

The business of the meeting has had many features of vital interest and we have endeavored to know the mind of the Lord as these have come before us. Loving sympathy with one another and harmonious consideration of these questions have marked this quarterly gathering. The meeting adjourns to meet again in Newport in 8th mo next, if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8th mo 6th 1908

By the accounts received from the subordinate meetings we are informed that the following Friends are representatives to this meeting, viz

Rhode) Mary H. Macomber, Mary E. Kimber, Emma B.
sland) Hodges Isaac P. Macomber
eenwich) Ellen Lockwood Carrie G. Buffinton
Christopher A. Shippee
wansea) Phebe S. Aydelott Adaline F. Chace
George B. Evans L. Oscar Moon
Providence Louisa N. Meader Asenath Tetlow
Wm H. Butler Charles Sisson

These being called 11 were present and 4 were absent

The queries were read at this time followed by reports from the several local meetings on Ministry and Oversight which have received deliberate and careful consideration

The Friends appointed to attend the late Quarterly Meeting as representatives report that all were present.

Rhode Island Local meeting on Ministry and Oversig reports that it is united in the feeling that the time has fully come when the spiritual gifts and appearances in the public ministry of Martha D. Hodges should be recognized and she recorded as a minister. In view of this information we appoint George B. Evans Charles A. Chace, Hannah P. Ladd, E. Annah Tucker Thomas A. Briggs William H. Butler and Fred. S. Aydelott, a committee to consider this proposition and note the evidence of those qualifications for a Minister of the Gospel in the above named Friend as outlined in the Discipline, and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting

The following Friends are appointed a committee to arrange suitable topics for discussion at each meeting and assign the duty of opening the subject to one or more persons as may seem advisable; this committee to serve for one year — viz George B. Evans Samuel H. Hodges Wm H. Butler Mary E. Kimber Adaline F. Chace

The subject of Prayer was then considered, being presented by L. Oscar Moon and Mary E. Kimber. Samuel H. Hodges being absent. The former emphasized the thought that the function of prayer is to help people to grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord while the second speaker urged a systematic observance of the prayer habit

united with a diligent study of the Word.

Acceptable prayer must be offered first with faith then in the natural order with boldness, patience, persistency, thanksgiving and on the ground of what God has promised. A helpful and practica discussion of the subject followed.
Having accomplished the business coming before us we adjourn to meet, if the Lord will, at the usual time in Eleventh month next in Fall River.

P. S. Hayd[illegible] Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held 11th mo 4th 190
The several subordinate meetings report representati as follows: —

Rhode Island — Mary E. Kimber John S. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodge
Hannah E. Borden Robert E. Wetherell.
reenwich — Carrie G. Buffinton, Ellen M. Atwater. E. Annah Tucke
wansea — Elizabeth S. Newton Phebe S. Aydelott. Adeline P. Chace George E. Evans
Providence — M. Augusta Battey Louisa N. Meader
Hannah P. Ladd Clarence M. Case

These being called 12 responded and 4 were absent.
We have the acceptable company of Wallace E. Gill, a Minister of the Gospel with credentials from Alliance Monthly Meeting, Ohio, endorsed by the Superintendent of the Evangelistic and Pastoral Board of Ohio Yea Meeting. We bid him a cordial welcome and believe that his service among us will be for the edification and upbuilding of the Church.

The queries were then read followed by reports of the spiritual condition of the several congregations.

Rhode Island has a hopeful tone in its report showing that no backward steps have been taken with regard to the various interests which make for a higher type of Christian life.

Swansea emphasizes the desire on the part of many to be more earnest and useful in the work of the Lord. In one locality workers are reaching out to engage in service in the more needy fields around them while in other sections the evidence of the development of spiritual gifts is but slight.

Greenwich reports a good degree of interest with a better attendance of the young people upon the meetings for worship. The Junior C.E. Society and the Bible School are doing their part in maintaining interest.

Providence in place of the usual report presents a memorial of our late beloved friend Ellen K. Buffum which is directed to be spread upon our records - viz-

We would express at this time our sense of bereavement in the removal of our beloved friend Ellen K. Buffum who was called to her heavenly home on the 4th of this month. During her recent years of ripened age her presence and service in the militant Church seemed to increase in fervency of spirit and devotion to the cause of Christ. Her Christian fellowship and counsel in best things were often sought for, and many are the hearts both the young and older who can testify to the comfort and edification afforded by her loving and prayerful interest in their behalf.

Taken from the Minutes of Prov Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held in Providence
10th mo 31st 1908

William H. Butler. Clerk.

The Committee appointed to fix upon a suitable topic for this meeting reports that it is united in presenting the subject of "Justification" and has selected John S. Kimber to present it.

The subject was clearly set before us, some points of which may profitably be emphasized. The fact of justification before God is the great theme of the New Testament but it was also a common experience under the Old Covenant. God made man just or upright in His sight but sin entered in and when he fell he could not provide a remedy because the remedy was not earthly but heavenly. God in mercy provided a ransom even Jesus Christ who was delivered for our offenses and was raised again for our justification; therefore He was not only just but the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus; So it is received not by faith and works united but by faith alone. Justification in its highest sense includes Sanctification. In the discussion which followed, quotations were given from the writings of Fox and Penn and Barclay to show the Scriptural attitude of the Friends toward this fundamental doctrine.

The business of the meeting has been accomplished with much unity of spirit and the truth has been faithfully proclaimed. We now adjourn with a renewed sense of our Heavenly Father's love proposing if He so wills, to meet in Providence at the usual time in Second month next

Phebe S. Aydelott. Clerk.

At Rhode Island quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence Second month 3rd 1909

The representatives appointed by the subordinate meetings to attend this meeting are as follows —

Rhode Island Emma H. Hodges, Mary E. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges John S. Kimber Mary W. Macomber

Greenwich Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater

Swansea L. Oscar Moon George B. Evans.

Providence Elizabeth Gifford Louisa N. Meader Wm. H. Butler

These being called all responded. ~~and~~ ~~was~~ ~~absent~~

The queries were then read followed by reports from the several Local meetings on Ministry and Oversight the general tenor of which is encouraging. The ministry seems satisfactory and adapted to the needs of the different meetings and care is taken to provide ministers for those meetings which require such service.

Reports In Newport Portsmouth and Fall River cottage meetings have been held with good results. There is evidence that the young people are growing in the spirit of self-sacrifice and manifest an encouraging interest in vital questions relating to our branch of the Church and its history and care is taken to nourish and foster spiritual gifts as they are made apparent.

Memorial for Robert B. Hanson Providence Local meeting on Ministry and Oversight has forwarded the following memorial of Robert B. Hanson which is directed to be placed upon our records — viz —

Another standard bearer has been removed from our meeting in the decease of our beloved friend Robert B. Hanson. The lesson of his life is an inspiration to us in the fruitage of good things brought forth by the Holy Spirit as he gave his heart to service in obedience to Divine calling. His Gospel ministry not only in active life but in the long season of his illness gave evidence of his well-grounded faith in the perfect priesthood of Jesus Christ the Son of God. He was ever ready to give encouragement to the discouraged ones and many are those who can testify of being strengthened by his loving advice and prayers. His testimony was ever clear as to the blessed truth "by grace are ye saved through faith and that not of yourselves it is the gift of God."

Elders in
R. Island
and
wansea

The following Friends have been recommended by their several monthly meetings as suitable to occupy the station of Elder and for the term of three years, viz
By Rhode Island monthly meeting — Cornelia A. Barker, Frederick W. Holman, Laura A. Osborne, Mary W. Macomber.
By Swansea monthly meeting — A. Lucy Burns Sarah B. Gray Mary A. Gage, A. Homer Skinner.
These nominations have been duly considered and this meeting approves of the persons thus named and the above named monthly meetings are now at liberty to proceed with their appointment as way may open.

The committee appointed to chose a suitable topic to be considered in this meeting reports that it is united in proposing "The Essential Deity of Jesus Christ" and have asked Samuel H. Hodges to present it.
If reason and human experience are insufficient to guide in temporal things much less are they in spiritual. Where then shall we look? The Bible furnishes the key to the necessary guidance. When Peter said "thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God" Christ placed His approval of it by saying that that is the rock upon

which He shall build His church. The mystery is the same now as ever. It is "Christ in you the hope of Glory." Our proof is that Jesus Christ is God the son equal with God the Father and the rejection of the Godhead of Jesus Christ is followed by rejection of all other fundamental doctrines.

Wm Thompson enlarged upon the truth that Jesus Christ became flesh and dwelt among us while Clarence Case quoted what Jesus Christ ascribed to himself which may be called divine egotism which proved his essential Deity. Many practical words were spoken by others on this most essential phase of doctrinal truth and also with regard to the problems which confront the Church.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we adjourn to meet in East Greenwich at the usual time in 5th month next if the Lord will.

Phebe S. Aydelott Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich Fifth month 5th 1909

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows

Rhode Island Mary E. Kimber Fredrika Bolte, Laura A. Oswell Isaac B. Macomber

Greenwich Carrie G. Buffinton Ellen M. Atwater, Anna Merrill, E. Annah Tucker.

Swansea Frances A. Estes, Phebe S. Aydelott, Charles A. Chace

Providence Albert R. Macomber Eliza A. Butler M. Augusta Batty, Hannah P. Ladd, Louisa N. Meader.

whose names being called all were present except 5

ppointment
f Clerk.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting report the nomination of L. Oscar Moon for clerk and E. Anna Tucker for assistant clerk which met the approval of this meeting and they are accordingly appointed to the respective positions for the ensuing year.

The clerk was directed to record our warm appreciation of the faithful service of Phebe S. Aydelott who has served this meeting as clerk since Fifth mo. 4th 1898. During the period ~~in~~ she has filled this position she has proven to be a laborer that "needeth not to be ashamed."

The queries have been read followed by reports of the spiritual state of the several meetings composing this Quarterly Meeting a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the next Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held in Portland, Maine by our representatives who are appointed as follows, viz. Isaac B. Macomber, Adaline F. Chace, M. Augusta Battey, Geo. B. Evans, L. Oscar Moon, Phebe S. Aydelott, Elizabeth A. Gifford and Charles A. Chace. The summary of the reports is as follows, viz:

The spiritual condition and life of our various meetings is good so far as reported except that two meetings mention neglect of family devotions. The average attendance for the entire Quarterly Meeting is shown to be about the same there being in two meetings a slight increase and a decrease in another. As one report suggests we believe the attendance is poor compared with the total membership. One meeting makes no report of the character of their public ministry but all the rest state that their public ministry is acceptable and well adapted to their needs.

No new evidence of the reception of spiritual gifts has been reported. One meeting reports a lack of general vocal participation in the meetings for public worship.

No available unoccupied fields have been reported. Cottage meetings are held in one community, favorable mention is made of a Bible School and a junior C.E. Society. Stafford Road meetings, Fall River, on Sunday afternoons are under the care of a Monthly Meeting's committee, and Providence sent forty needy children to the country for an outing again last summer. All things considered we feel that we have many reasons for encouragement.

On behalf of the Meeting.

L. Oscar Moon, Clerk.

The following Friends have been recommended by their several Monthly Meetings as suitable to occupy the office of Elders for a term of three years.

By Greenwich Monthly Meeting - Elvira M Perry, Sarah M. Carpenter and Henry L. Tucker.

By Providence Monthly Meeting: Elizabeth C. Gifford, Charles Sisson, Asenath Tetlow, S. Caroline Tobey, Mary A. Gifford and Willis H

White. These nominations have been duly considered and we are united in our approval of these Friends to serve as Elders and the aforesaid meetings are now at liberty to take the further steps required by the discipline for their appointment.

The changes that have occurred in the ministry of this meeting during the past year are as follows, viz: Robert B. [illegible] deceased First mo. 26, 1901 in his [illegible]th year, Annabella E. Winn deceased   mo   in her   year; Clarence M. Case received by certificate from S. 8th St. (Richmond) Monthly Meeting Indiana Yearly Meeting.

The following comprise the membership of this meeting as revised to 3d mo 1st 1901. viz.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: — John S. Kimber, Mary E. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges, Emma H. Hodges, Annie C. Sherman. 5. Elders: — Anna L. Manchester, Hannah C. Borden, Cornelia A. Barker, Frederick W. Holman, Laura A. Sewell, Emma Hambly, Cordelia Lawrence, Fredrika Bolti, Mary W. Macomber, Isaac B. Macomber. 10 Overseers: — Winfield S. Sisson, Robert C. Wetherell, Emily S. Holman, Alfred H. [illegible], Wm. S. Chase, Fredrika Bolti, Anna L. Manchester, Cordelia Lawrence, Emma Hambly. The last four being also Elders. 5 minus duplicates Total 20

Greenwich Monthly Meeting.

Ministers — Anna F. Brown, E. Anna Tucker, Byron O. Salisbury, William H. Perry. 4

Elders: — Anna Merrill, John Babcock,
Carrie G. Buffinton, Ellen M. Atwater,
Christopher A. Shippee, Hannah E. Bennett
Elvira M. Perry, Sarah M. Carpenter, Henry
D. Tucker. 9. Total. 13.
Overseers: — Henry D. Tucker, Christopher
A. Shippee, Carrie G. Buffinton. all disp
Total 13

Swansea Monthly Meeting.

Ministers: — Henry E. Gydelott, Phebe S.
Gydelott, Geo. B. Evans, Nancy F. H. Chace,
L. Oscar Moon. 5.
Elders: — A. Felix Burns, Sarah E. Corey,
Mary A. Gage, Elizabeth S. Newton, A. Homer
Skinner, Caroline W. DeBlois, Lucinda B.
Briggs, Rachel P. Chace, Adaline F. Chace,
Sarah C. Skinner Eliza A. Sisson. 11.
Overseers: — Charles Estes, Charles E. Chace,
Ralph Earle, Frances A. Estes, Anna
E. Buffinton, Henry E. Chace, Robert A. Lawton,
Marianna N. Chace, Phineas D. Fletcher,
Thomas A. Briggs, Amelia Wild. 11. Total. 27

Providence Monthly Meeting

Ministers — Thos. J. Battey, Wm. H. Butler,
Thomas T. Jackson, Clarence M. Case, 4.
Elders — M. Augusta Battey, Hannah
R. Ladd, Elizabeth A. Gifford, Susan Peckham,
Eliza A. B[illegible], Charles Sisson, S. Caroline
Tobey, Asenath Titlow, Seth K. Gifford,
Albert R. Macomber, Ellen K. Buffum,
Sarah J. Hanson, Louisa N. Meader 13.
Overseer James G. Seton. 1. Total 18.
Total membership of this body: 78.

The committee to consider the
recommendation of Rhode Island Local

Meeting on Ministry and Oversight in 5th mo. last relative to Martha D. Hodges reports as follows which is accepted by the Meeting:—

The committee appointed to consider the recommendation of Rhode Island Local Meeting on Ministry and Oversight with regard to recording the gift in the ministry of Martha D. Hodges report that there is strong evidence of the bestowal of spiritual gifts upon her by the great Head of the Church but that more time should be given for the development of these gifts before the Church takes definite action. We therefore do not concur in the request of the aforesaid meeting.

For the committee, Geo. B. Evans.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet in Newport at the usual time in 8th month next if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon, Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8-4-09.

By accounts received from the Local Meetings on Ministry and Oversight it appears that the following Friends are appointed as representatives to this meeting, viz.: -

From Rhode Island - Anna L. Manchester, Mary E. Kimber, Emma H. Hodges, John S. Kimber Samuel H. Hodges, and Mary W. Macomber.

From Greenwich - Carrie G. Buffinton, Ellen M. Atwater, and E. Anna Tucker.

From Swansea - Adaline F. Chace, Caroline W. Du Bois, Phebe S. Aydelott, George B. Evans and L. Oscar Moon.

From Providence - Louisa N. Meader, Thomas J. Battey, and M. Augusta Battey. Of whom fifteen responded to their names and two were absent.

The queries were read at this time together with reports from three of the Local Meetings on Ministry and Oversight which have received our careful consideration.

The Friends appointed as our representatives to the late Yearly Meeting report they all attended except two.

The term for which the committee to assign topics for discussion in our meetings was appointed having expired we reappoint the same committee for this service for the ensuing year.

We have had the acceptable presence in this meeting of John and Nettie Riley with credentials properly endorsed from University Monthly Meeting, Wichita, Kansas. Their ministry and fellowship have been encouraging to us.

The business of the meeting having been despatched in much love and unity we now conclude proposing to meet in Fall River at the usual time in 11th month next if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11-3-09.

The Local Meetings have reported representatives as follows: —
Rhode Island — Samuel H. Hodges, Cordelia Lawrence, Mary W. Macomber, Emma H. Hodges, William Wilbour, Mary T. Kimber, and Robert C. Wetherell.
Greenwich — Ellen M. Atwater, Carrie S. Buffinton, and E. Anna Tucker.
Swansea — Phebe S. Aydelott, Frances C. Estes, George B. Evans, and Charles Estes.
Providence — M. Augusta Battey, Clarence M. Case, Asenath Tetlow, and Louisa N. Meader.
These names being called twelve responded and six were absent.

A survey of the field by means of the written and verbal reports gives us reason for encouragement. Two of the reports say that their ministry is well adapted to their needs. The spiritual condition and life of the members appears to be up to the standard. One Local meeting speaks of desires for a deeper sense of our responsibility. The regular work has been kept up but no new work is mentioned. The attendance upon public worship is reported to have decreased in two meetings and increased in two. A longing seems to be prevalent that we may fill a larger place in the great kingdom of the Master and we sincerely wish to foster this spirit and to realize its purpose.

The queries were read in this meeting and have received our careful consideration

We have the acceptable presence in this meeting of Charles E. Newlin of Indianapolis, Charles H. Jones of Amesbury, Carl J. Harold of Worcester, and Alvano C. Goddard of New Bedford. Their fellowship and words of counsel are much appreciated

The business of the meeting having been transacted we adjourn to meet in Providence in Second month next if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held at Providence Second Month second 1910.

The representatives appointed by the subordinate meetings to attend this meeting are as follows:—

Rhode Island — Emma H. Hodges Mary E. Kimber, John S. Kimber & Isaac B. Macomber.

Greenwich — Ellen M. Atwater, Carrie G. Buffinton, Anna Merrill & E. Anna Tucker.

Swansea — Charles Estes, Adaline F. Chace, Charles A. Chace & Phebe S. Aydelott

Providence — Elizabeth A. Gifford, Louisa N. Meader and William H. Butler — whose names being called all responded except two.

The queries have been read together with reports from the various Local Meetings on Ministry and Oversight which generally agree at this time that there is a deepening of spiritual life among the membership, manifested by the report of some conversions and spiritual manifestations and some expressed desire to be of service in the Kingdom of our Lord.

The attendance at our meetings for worship has kept up well considering the weather conditions and has shown a slight increase in some of our meetings. The ministry is reported satisfactory in every instance though in one meeting no recorded minister has been in attendance.

No mention is made in any report of the distinct development of spiritual gifts. While the actual results of our work as shown in the reports are encouraging we feel that we must set ourselves to a still more prayerful and devoted service in the future that we may bear much fruit.

The following Friends have been recommended by their respective Monthly Meetings ~~&~~ as suitable to occupy the station of Elder for a term of three years, viz: By Rhode Island Monthly Meeting - Edward E. Faulkner
By Swansea Monthly Meeting - Judith S. Newton, Caroline W. Deblois and Lucinda B. Briggs. This meeting approves these nominations and the Monthly Meetings are at liberty to proceed with the appointment.

The business of the meeting having been transacted in love we conclude proposing to meet in E. Greenwich in Fifth month next if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich Fifth mo. 4th 1910.

The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows:—

Rhode Island — Emma H. Hodges, Mary E. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges and John S. Kimber.

Greenwich — Ellen M. Atwater, Anna F. Brown, Anna Merrill and E. Anna Tucker.

Swansea — Frances A. Estes, Adeline F. Chace, and L. Oscar Moon.

Providence — M. Augusta Battey, Hannah P. Ladd, Louisa N. Meader, Valentine E. Meader and Charles Sisson.

The representatives report the nomination of L. Oscar Moon for clerk and E. Anna Tucker for assistant clerk, which meet the approval of this meeting and they are appointed to the respective positions for the ensuing year.

The queries have been read together with reports from the several Local Meetings on Ministry and Oversight. A summary of these reports is directed to be spread upon our minutes and a copy sent to the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to be held in Providence, R.I. to which we appoint Adeline F. Chace, E. Anna Tucker, Hannah P. Lad

Anna F. Brown, Mary G. Kimber, Charles C. Chase, and John S. Kimber.

The following is we believe a fair and open presentation of our state and while we are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father we feel heartily dissatisfied that we are unable to report a greater apparent gain in our varied activities as members of the "body of Christ."

While there has been an increased attendance in some of our meetings we consider it yet very poor compared with our resident membership only about 50 per cent of whom can be called habitual attenders. Judged merely by their attendance these seem to be prospering in their spiritual condition and life; but if tested by their vocal participation in meetings for worship and discipline or by their activity in some form of religious work we cannot dispute the indifference of a portion of these. Those whose gifts in the ministry is acknowledged and a few others also have been faithful in the exercise of their gifts as far as reported and their ministry has been characterized as inspiring, edifying, and encouraging. But we feel that in large measure we have failed to develop what we need of constructive leadership in the service outside our meetings for worship, Bible Schools and C. E. Societies. We have a number of people in regular attendance at these various meetings who are not yet members with us and we have been unable this year to enroll but few of them. We are hoping, however, to strengthen our society by their addition later. The members who are habitually absent from our meetings both resident and non-resident we find hard to enlist in any active way in the concerns of our Society. Wherever mentioned our meetings in the middle of the week both for worship and discipline are poorly attended, though often occasions of rich blessing to those present.

While a few cases requiring care have been called to our attention a good degree of harmony seems to prevail among us. Only a small proportion of our total membership are known to be in the habit of regular family devotion. The meetings continue their interest in Home and Foreign missions, Bible Schools, and Christian Endeavor Societies, the young and old cooperating in both activity and responsibility and some special work being reported in these departments.

The meetings at Freetown and Stafford Road have been discontinued on account of local disadvantages and that at East Greenwich has continued with the help of visiting ministers and others. The chief need in these meetings as well as others within our limits is strong, well-trained, intelligent leadership that will put our membership at work in the great human harvestfield, and this leadership we ought to be able to develop from among our present membership and those directly under our influence.

(Signed) C. Oscar Moon
Clerk of the meeting.

The following Friends have been recommended by their respective Monthly Meetings as suitable to occupy the station of Elder for the term of three years:—

Greenwich Monthly Meeting:— Ellen M. Atwater Hannah E. Bennett and Christopher A. Shippee.

Providence Monthly Meeting:— Susan Peckham Valentine E. Meader and Seth K. Gifford.

These nominations have been duly considered and approved by this meeting and the Monthly Meetings are authorized to proceed with the appointments.

Our list of ministers is revised as follows:— George L. Evans removed by certificate to Yorktown Monthly Meeting, N. Y.

The following comprise the membership of this meeting as revised to Third mo. 1st 1910.

Rhode Island —

Elders — Anna L. Manchester, Hannah L. Borden, Cornelia A. Barker, Frederick W. Holman, Emma A. Sewell, Emma Hambly, Cordelia Lawrence, Fredrika Bolti, Mary W. Macomber, Edward C. Faulkner and Isaac B. Macomber.

Overseers — Winfield S. Sisson, Robert C. Wetherell, Fredrika Bolti, Anna L. Manchester, Emma Holman, Cordelia Lawrence, Alfred H. Borden William H. Chace, and Emma Hambly.

Ministers — John S. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges, Mary E. Kimber, Emma H. Hodges, Anna C. Sherman.

Greenwich —

Ministers — William H. Perry, Byron C. Salisbury, Anna ~~H.~~ F. Brown, E. Anna Tucker.

Elders — Anna Merrill, John Babcock

Carrie G. Buffinton, Elvira M. Perry, Sarah M. Carpenter, Henry D. Tucker, Ellen M. Atwater, Christopher A. Shippee and Hannah E. Bennett.

Overseers — Henry D. Tucker, Christopher A. Shippee, and Carrie G. Buffinton.

Providence —

Ministers — Thomas J. Battey, Clarence M. Case, William H. Butler and Thomas Y. Jackson.

Elders — Hannah P. Ladd, Sarah J. Hanson, Susan Peckham, M. Augusta Battey, S. Caroline Tobey, Eliza A. Butler, Aseneth Tetlow, Charles Sisson, Seth K. Gifford, Louisa N. Meader, Anna A. Meader, Valentine E. Meader and Willis H. White.

Overseers — James G. Sexton, Anna A. Meader, William Richardson, Walter Taylor, Sarah J. Hanson, Louisa N. Meader, Valentine E. Meader, and James Sexton.

Swansea —

Ministers — Henry E. Aydelott, Phebe S. Aydelott, Nancy A. H. Chace and L. Oscar Moon.

Elders — Elizabeth S. Newton, Caroline A. DeBlois, Lucinda B. Briggs, Rachel P. Chace, Adeline F. Chace, Sarah E. Skinner, Eliza A. Sisson, A. Felix Burns, Sarah B. Corey, Mary A. Gage and A. Homer Skinner.

Overseers — Charles Estes, Charles A. Chace, Ralph Earle, Francis A. Estes, Emma B. Buffinton, Mary E. Chace, Robert A. Lawton, Marianna N. Chace, Eliza A. Sisson, Phineas D. Fletcher, Thomas A. Briggs, and Amelia Wild.

The clerk is directed to send a communication to the Monthly Meetings encouraging them to follow the suggestion of the discipline p. 28 sect. 9. and appoint additional members of their pastoral committees giving special attention to the appointment of younger Friends.

Having concluded the business coming before us at this time we adjourn to meet in Newport at the usual time in Eighth month if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport Eighth Mo. 3d 1910

By accounts received from the Local Meetings on Ministry & Oversight the following Friends are appointed as representatives to this meeting:
From Rhode Island - Winfield Sisson. Mary E. Kimber and Hannah C. Borden
From Greenwich - E. Anna Tucker, Christopher A. Shippee, Hannah E. Bennett & Ellen M. Atwater.
From Swansea - Mary A. Gage, P. S. Aydelott and Charles A. Chace
From Providence - Sarah J. Hanson. Susan Peckham, Thomas J. Battey & Thomas G. Jackson.
whose names being called all responded except two.

The queries were read at this time and also reports from three of our Local Meetings on M. & O. which we have earnestly considered.

The representatives appointed to attend our recent Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight all report attendance except one

The term for which the committee was appointed on special topics for our meetings on M. & O has expired and we appoint John S. Kimber Asenath Tetlow & Phebe S. Aydelott to this service for the ensuing year.

The business of the meeting having been concluded we adjourn to meet in Fall River in Eleventh month next if the Lord will.

L. Oscar Moon clerk.

At R. I. Quarterly meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Fall River 11 mo 2d. 1910. The clerk having removed from our midst John S. Kimber was appointed clerk for the day & Phil S. Aydelott was requested to assist him. By accounts from the local meetings the following Friends were appointed as Representatives to this meeting. From Rhode Island John S. Kimber, Mary E. Kimber, Mary H. Macomber and Isaac B. Macomber From E. Greenwich Ellen M. Atwater, Christopher Shippee, Hannah Bennett and Carrie S. Buffinton. From Swansea Marianna N. Chase, Mary A Gage and Thomas Briggs. From Providence Sarah J. Hanson, Hannah P Ladd, Valantine E. Meader & Louisa N. Meader. Whose names being called all responded except two. The reports from our local meetings have been considered. Oscar L Moon having removed from the limits of the yearly meeting and we having appointed Isaac B. Macomber, Christopher A Shippee, Adeline F. Chase, Hannah P. Ladd and Augusta Battey a committee to bring in a name for us to consider they suggest as clerk to fill the unexpired term John S. Kimber with whose name this meeting unites & he is accordingly appointed to act until our new appointment at E. Greenwich next 5th month. We rejoice in the renewal of several ministers amongst us and we desire to express our heartiest sympathy with their presence & Gospel labors. Our committee on a subject for discussion at this meeting lays before us today for our consideration "How can we do more aggressive Christian work in our Quarterly meeting?" This subject has been well introduced by our Friend Eloise Hafford, dwelling especially upon the imp[illegible] of prayer, individual labors (as represented by those building over against their own house in Nehemiah's days) and upon the great need of faithfulness and dogged perseverance in missionary labors both home and foreign. And by Oscar Mostrom who said in substance To be is more important than to do. We need, not glittering generalities but specific realities. We must personally know God & feel an individual call to service. Luther, Fox, Wesley, Spurgeon and Moody have preceeded us and we need to be definitely true to our testimony as they were to theirs, and definitely testify "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." This is the truth the world needs and wants. These addresses have been a blessing to us and we feel strengthened, encouraged and blessed for which we feel deeply thankful. The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn to meet at Providence next Second month if the Lord so wills. John S. Kimber clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry & Oversight held at Providence 2 mo 1, 1911. The Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, — From Rhode Island Mary E. Kimber, James M. Estes, Jno S. Kimber & Isaac B. Macomber. From Greenwich Christopher A. Shippee, Hannah E. Bennett & E. Annah Tucker. From Swansea Chas Estes, Oscar Mostrom, Frances Estes, A Homer Skinner & Sarah E. Chase. From Providence Eliza A Butler, Hannah P. Ladd, Wm H Butler, Eliz A. Gifford and Louisa N. Meader. Who are present except one. The Queries have been read and reports from each of our Local meetings have been considered. The following Friends have been recommended by their monthly meetings as suitable for Elders for a term of 3 years — By Rhode Island Isaac B. Macomber, Hannah C. Borden, Anna L. Manchester, Cordelia Laurence, Fredrika Bolti, and Carrie B. Slocum. By Swansea Sarah C.

Skinner, Adeline F. Chace & Eliza A. Sisson. With which names we unite, and their respective monthly meetings are at liberty to proceed with their appointment. We have dear Friends acceptably visiting us today for whose presence we are thankful to the Lord & Master whom we unitedly serve. We desire to extend our tenderest Christian sympathy to Phebe [illegible] in this time of deep affliction. The Chairman of our programme committee presents for discussion the subject How to interest men in the Bible and Church and Geo G. Williams of Swampscott by invitation introduced the subject most excellently and profitably and we trust the message will bring forth undying fruit. The subject was continued with deep interest by our dear Friends Wm & Susan Thompson & Oscar Mostrom. In love we conclude to meet at East Greenwich at the usual time in the 5th month if the Lord so will. John S. Kimber, clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends in Ministry and Oversight held at East Greenwich 5 mo- 2nd 1911

Representatives The representatives appointed to attend this meeting are as follows.
Rhode Island - John S. Kimber Carrie Slocum
Swansea - Adeline F. Chace Oscar G. Mostrom
A. Homer Skinner -
Providence - Asenath Tetlow - M. Augusta
Battey - Louisa N. Meader - Thomas G. Jackson
Greenwich - E. Anna Tucker, Anna
Merrill - Christopher A. Shippee - who are present with one exception.

appointment of clerk The representatives report the nomination of Oscar G. Mostrom for clerk and E. Anna Tucker for assistant clerk with which the meeting concurs and they are appointed to their respective places for the ensuing year.

Reports of meetings.

The reports from the various meetings have been read and the clerk is advised to get a complete list of the present membership of the meetings on Ministry and oversight, also to make a summary of the condition of the various meetings for the year and forward the information to the Yearly Meeting on Min. & Over. next to be held at Providence in Sixth month.

Appointment of Elders

The meeting approves of the appointment of the following Elders which are reported as fol. From Providence Sarah J. Hanson Laura N. Meader, Eliza A. Butler Hannah P. Ladd. Albert R. Macomber From Greenwich. John Babcock, Ellen Lockwood. Carrie G. Buffinton.

Representation to Yearly Meet.

The following are appointed to act as representatives to Yearly Meeting next - to be held at Providence in Sixth month - Charles A. Chace John S. Kimber, William Butler M. Agusta Battey, Christopher A. Shippee Mariana N. Chace, James W. Estes, E. Anna Tucker, Elizabeth S. Newton, Carrie G. Buffinton, Thomas J. Battey—

Present membership.

The following Friends stand as members of this meeting as per list revised to 3rd mo 1st 1911

Rhode Island - ministers - John S. Kimber, Mary E. Kimber, Samuel H. Hodges, Emma H. Hodges Annie C. Sherman. James M. Estes. Exie Estes - Elders - Anna L. Manchester Hannah C. Borden. Cornelia A. Barker. Isaac B. Macomber, Frederick W. Holman, Laura A. Orewell, Carrie Slocum, Cordelia Lawrence Fredrika Bolti, Mary W. Macomber, and Edward C. Faulkner - Overseers - Winfield S. Sisson Emily A. Holman Alfred H. Borden, William L. Weaver, William H. Chace Jr - Mary A. Chace Emma Hambly, and F. Henry Slocum - 26

Greenwich - ministers - Anna F. Brown, Byron O. Salsbury, William H. Perry, E. Anna Tucker - Elders - Elvira M. Perry, Sarah M. Carpenter Henry L. Tucker, Christopher A. Shippie, Hannah E. Bennett - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 9 -

Swansea - ministers - Henry C. Aydelott - Phebe S. Aydelott - Nancy A. H. Chace - Oscar G. Mostrom - 4 Elders - Adeline F. Chace - Sarah C. Skinner Eliza A. Sisson - A. Felix Burns, Sarah B. Corey - Mary A. Gage - A. Homer Skinner - Elizabeth T. Newton - Caroline W. DeBlois. Lucinda B. Briggs - - - - 10 Overseers - Charles Estes - Charles A. Chace Ralph Earle - Frances A. Estes - Emma B. Buffinton - Henry E. Chace Robert A. Lawton Marianna N. Chace - Eliza A. Sisson - Phineas D. Fletcher - Thomas A. Briggs - Amelia Wild - 12

Providence ministers - Thomas J. Battey William H. Butler Thomas G. Jackson 3 overseers. Anna A. Meader Walter Taylor Sarah J. Hanson Louisa A. Meader William Richardson, James Barton - Elizabeth A. Gifford Charles Sisson Asenath Tetlow

S. Caroline Tobey, Mary A. Gifford
Willis H. White M. Augusta Bailey Susan
Peckham Seth K. Gifford, Eliza A. Butler
Hannah P. Ladd Albert R. Macomber (22

Summary of reports

A summary of reports from the various meetings is as follows—

The spiritual condition of the various meetings are on the whole good and several report an improvement

Family devotions are generally observed, but many of our families still need this splendid aid for the betterment of spiritual life—

A fair percent of the resident membership attend the meetings for worship in some of our meetings a large percent of the congregation is made up of people from the outside—

The relations of the members one to another and to the world is mostly harmonious but exceptions exist where a greater care in the exercise of Christian spirit is needed.

Along the line of Christian activity quite a number of our ministers and others are allways active and ready for service. During the last quarter several of our Monthly Meetings have held all day meetings that have been inspiring and helpful

The women of the church are doing commendable work to aid 'home' and 'foreign' missions one meeting reports that it has carried its work out among the poor of the city one member giving her life to the duties of district nurse and through her unfailing service has been able to relieve many cases of suffering and distress —

Having completed the business coming before us we adjourn to meet at the appointed place Newport in Eighth month if the Lord permit ——

Oscar G. Mostrom

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held at Newport 8 mo 3rd 1911 —

By accounts received from the
Representatives local meetings on Ministry and Oversight the following Friends were appointed to act as representatives — From Rhode Islan Eunice Green Exie Estes — From Greenwich Hannah E. Bennett, Christopher A. Shippie, E. Anna Tucker, Ellen Lockwood From Swansea. Frances A. Estes, Mariana N. Chace, Oscar G. Mostrom, Sarah E. Chace — From Providence — Hannah P. Ladd. Sarah J. Hanson — Willis H. White — of whom five were absent —

Representatives to Yearly Meeting report that all attended except three —

Reports from local meetings were
Reports from Local Meetings read and considered at this time — One of which reports the need of a Ministry on First Days at present it being supplied only a part of the time, spiritual life as usual Bible school in prosperous condition — also a Junior society is an encouraging feature — Another meeting reports a general feeling of encouragement

Reports of Meetings continued

Another meeting reports large evening attendance, more testimonies from the young people -

Two meetings report help from open air services, and another has found a blessing in having special services for sailors - In looking over the field there are as ever things that are discouraging. But there is on the other hand hopeful and uplifting indications for which we thank God and take courage -

Special report from Swansea -
Willis H. White
Felix Burns
Chas. A. Chace
E. Annah Tucker

Swansea Monthly meeting on Ministry and Oversight report that they are united in recommending the name of Joseph R. Lawrence to be recorded for the ministry, and the following committee is appointed to consider the matter and report at the next regular meeting -

Memorial to Phebe S. Aydelott

It is with a profound sense of loss and sorrow that we record the death of our beloved sister and fellow minister Phebe S. Aydelott who passed away 7th mo 24th 1911 - after a prolonged illness - Her earnest christian life, efficiency as a minister of the gospel, and love for the truth, is worthy of our sincere appreciation. But especially do we remember the precision, love of order, and care for details, with which she carried out the part of the work of the church which fell to her. And we hope and pray that others under Divine direction may be raised up to be of such value to the church as she. And we do also extend to the bereaved husband and daughter our heartfelt love and sympathy— the clerk is directed to forward this extract from the minutes to them.

Having concluded the business before us we adjourn to meet at Fall River at the appointed time - if the Lord permit   Oscar G. Mostrom
clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends on Ministry and Oversight held at Fall River 11 mo 1st 1911 -

Record of preceding meeting read and approved -

By reports received from the local meetings the following Friends were appointed delegates to this meeting -

Delegates From Rhode Island - John S. Kimber Mary E. Kimber, Exie Estes, James M. Estes -

From Greenwich - Carrie G. Buffinton E. Annah Tucker, Hannah E. Bennett

From Swansea - Charles A. Chace Carrie W. De Blois, A. Homer Skinner Henry C. Aydelott -

From Providence - Sarah Hanson Willis H. White, Asenath Tetlow, Louisa N. Meader, M. Agusta Battey, and Albert R. Macomber - who are present except four -

Reports The reports from the various meetings are encouraging - Rhode Island

Reports continued

good spiritual condition, special work among Greeks and sailors, also one of their ministers accepting call to missionary work in Jamaica –
Greenwich reports increased attendance in one of Bible schools Junior Endeavor work resumed at Anthony with a good degree of interest –
Swansea reports a ministry that is meeting the needs of their congregations feeling of harmony and a substantial increase in christian testimony among its members – attendance increased
Providence Attendance about the same increased interest in bible school and Home mission department.

A note of appreciation has been received from Laura B. Aydelott in which she expresses for herself and father their sincere appreciation for the letter of sympathy and love received from us.

Report of committee on Joseph R. Lawrence.

The committee appointed to consider the acknowledgment of Joseph R. Lawrence as a minister in the Society of Friends have attended to their appointment and are united in approving of the action of Swansea Mo. Meeting in recommending him to the ministry in the Society –

The Queries were read at this time. –

We have been blessed and helped by the message from our brother Samuel L. Haworth, in which we were reminded that we are as undershepherds accountable to God not only

for our relationship to Him but also for
our service among men —
Having completed the business
before us we conclude to meet at
Providence in Second mo 1912
if the Lord permit —

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